



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
SUDBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Virtual Meeting 6:30 PM**

The Sudbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing to review an Amendment to the Order of Resource Area Delineation filing (DEP #301-1193) to clarify jurisdictional wetland resource areas subject to the Wetlands Protection Act versus the Sudbury Wetland Administration Bylaw, to classify streams as intermittent or perennial, and to enter into the record the status of vernal pools along the MassDOT Right of Way in Sudbury, MA. MassDOT Highway Division, applicant. The hearing will be held on Monday, June 29, 2020 at 6:30 pm, via remote participation through Zoom. The link to join this Zoom meeting (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98803339162>) as well as copies of the application, may be reviewed on the Conservation Commission web page at: <https://sudbury.ma.us/conservationcommission/meeting/conservation-commission-meeting-monday-june-29-2020/>. Please contact the Conservation Office with any questions at 978-440-5470.

SUDBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
June 15, 2020



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Sudbury Conservation Commission
Department of Public Works
275 Old Lancaster Road
Sudbury, MA 01776

**Subject: ORAD Amendment Request, Bruce Freeman Rail Trail, Sudbury, MA
DEP File No. 301-1193**

Dear Commissioners:

Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Highway Division (MassDOT) submits this Amendment Request for the Order of Resource area Delineation (ORAD) issued by the Sudbury Conservation Commission (DEP File No. 301-1193) to the Town of Sudbury for the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT) right-of-way property. The ORAD was recently extended by the Commission for an additional three years and is scheduled to expire in October 2022.

State and local wetland resource areas were approved by the Sudbury Conservation Commission through an ORAD dated November 2016. The ORAD was granted to the applicant, the Town of Sudbury, with permission from the property owner, Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), to advance the design of the BFRT. However, the ORAD (and the submitted Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) plans themselves) did not distinguish between Sudbury Wetland Administration Bylaw (Bylaw) jurisdictional wetlands and Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (WPA) jurisdictional wetlands. Furthermore, due to drought conditions at the time of ANRAD review, the Commission did not accept the classification of intermittent versus perennial streams as presented in the ANRAD application. The referenced ORAD was issued under both the Bylaw and WPA because at the time of filing the Applicant was the Town of Sudbury and not MassDOT. State agencies such as MassDOT are not ordinarily subject to local bylaws. MassDOT is seeking to make these distinctions as defined under the WPA in order to proceed with the permitting phase of the BFRT in an accurate manner and ensure compliance with WPA regulatory performance standards.

MassDOT reviewed the existing conditions plans of the proposed BFRT in Sudbury, MA to confirm the presence (or lack thereof) of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW), and classify the intermittent and perennial streams, as such terms are defined under the WPA. The results are discussed below.

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Subsequent to the ORAD being issued in 2016, additional detailed field investigations of potential vernal pools were conducted by VHB in 2017 and Stantec in 2018 in accordance with MA Natural Heritage and Endangered Species program (NHESP) guidance. MassDOT would like to enter these results into the record and identify those two pools (or portions thereof) that are within the right of way as certifiable vernal pools in accordance with NHESP Guidance.

Isolated Vegetated Wetlands

ANRAD plans were compared with publicly available wetlands information on MassGIS such as MassDEP wetlands, hydrological connection data layers, along with USGS maps, and identified nine distinct wetland flag series to review in the field based on whether they appeared isolated in the landscape or if there was a lack of mapped hydrological connection to another resource area. One additional wetland, WF-36 series, was identified as isolated on the plans and presumed to be correct. On April 1 and May 8, 2020, wetland scientists conducted a field inspection of these identified areas to confirm if the delineated vegetated wetlands are bordering wetlands under the WPA or isolated wetlands only under the Bylaw. Based on the results of the field inspection, MassDOT identified seven (7) vegetated wetland areas that are clearly isolated. See Figure 1 in Attachment A.

The identified freshwater wetland flag series listed in Table 1 should not be considered BVWs under the WPA because they are isolated in the landscape and do not border on a surface water body as required under 310 CMR 10.55. Nor should these flag series be considered Isolated Land Subject to Flooding under the WPA as they do not meet the volume and depth requirements under 310 CMR 10.57.

Waterways

Based on the plan assessment, review of USGS map information, and USGS StreamStats™ analysis, four perennial streams within the BFRT right of way were identified. The remaining bank flag series are to be considered intermittent. Finally, portions of one bank series do not meet the state WPA definition of a stream. See Table 1 and the summary below for further information.

Pursuant to 310 CMR 10.58(2)(a)1c, “a stream shown as intermittent or not shown on the current USGS map or more recent map provided by the Department, that has a watershed size less than one square mile, is intermittent unless the stream has a watershed size of at least ½ (0.50) square mile and has a predicted flow rate greater than or equal to 0.01 cubic feet per second at the 99% flow duration using the USGS Stream Stats method.”

Hop Brook (BF32 & BF33), Pantry Brook (PS1), a tributary to Pantry Brook (BF12), and a tributary to Cold Brook (BF3) are all USGS-mapped perennial and thus have associated 200-foot Riverfront Area under the WPA. Using the USGS Stream Stats program, the remaining streams mapped as intermittent or flagged in the field as identified in the plans were evaluated (see Attachment B). Because none of these streams are mapped as perennial by USGS, and all have watershed sizes of less than ½ square

mile as indicated by the Stream Stats program, none are considered perennial under the WPA regulations. Thus, none of these intermittent streams have associated Riverfront Area.

Portions of bank flag series BF-30 are up gradient of any other resource area according to the 2016 ANRAD existing condition plans (Sheets 17 and 18). This condition was field verified and determined that there was not a freshwater wetland (bordering or otherwise) or surface water body up gradient of these sections. These portions include flags BF 30-106 through BF 30-126, BF 30-132 through BF 30-139, and BF 30-333 through BF 30-321 (one continuous section on the east side of the trail), and flags BF 30-302 through BF 30-320 (one continuous section on west side of trail). While this stream may be considered jurisdictional under the Bylaw, in our opinion it would not be a regulated resource area under the WPA, as these portions do not meet the definition of a stream¹.

Perennial and intermittent streams have been categorized in Table 1 on the next page according to the WPA definitions.

Vernal Pools

The attached reports (Attachment C) have identified three additional certifiable vernal pools: PVP 4, PVP 11 and PVP 12a. Of these, only PVP 4 (associated with WF 6) and PVP 11 (associated with WF 24) appear to be within the BFRT ROW. It is important to note that while several of the IVWs identified in Table 1 were surveyed, no vernal pool species were found within these wetlands according to the survey results.

¹ According to 310 CMR 10.04, a "Stream means a body of running water, including brooks and creeks, which moves in a definite channel in the ground due to a hydraulic gradient, and which flows within, into or out of an Area Subject to Protection under M.G.L. c. 131, § 40. A portion of a stream may flow through a culvert or beneath a bridge. Such a body of running water which does not flow throughout the year (i.e., which is intermittent) is a stream except for that portion **upgradient of all bogs, swamps, wet meadows and marshes.**" [emphasis added]

Table 1 – Summary of Recommended Resource Area Classification under the WPA

FLAG SERIES	PLAN SHEET	CLASSIFICATION/STREAM TYPE UNDER WPA	APPROXIMATE AREA (IVW)	COMMENTS
BF36	2	Intermittent		
BF33	8	Perennial		Hop Brook
BF32	7, 8, 16	Perennial		Hop Brook
BF27	24	Intermittent		
BF26	24	Intermittent		
BF15-24	26, 28, 29	Intermittent		
BF23	27	Intermittent		
BF30*	17, 18	Intermittent <i>Flags BF 30-100 to 105, 30-200-212, 30-300 to 308, 300-13, 30-320 and 30-321 only</i>		Unnamed tributary to Hop Brook
BF21	29, 30, 31	Intermittent		
BF19	33	Intermittent		
BF 18	33	Intermittent		
BF17	33, 34	Intermittent		Not shown on USGS stream stats
BF16	34	Intermittent		
PS1	35, 36, 37	Perennial		Pantry Brook
BF15-6	47	Intermittent		
BF12	38, 39, 40	Perennial		Unnamed tributary to Pantry Brook
BF8	42, 43, 44, 48	Intermittent		Cold Brook
BF6	42, 43, 44, 48	Intermittent		Cold Brook
BF7	45	Intermittent		Not shown on USGS streamstats
BF5	48	Intermittent		
BF3	51, 52	Perennial		Unnamed tributary to Cold Brook
BF2	54, 55	Intermittent		
WF38	3	Isolated/Non-jurisdictional	1,550 sf	Included in VP survey (PVP ID 16)
WF36	22	Isolated/Non-jurisdictional	3,315 sf	Included in VP survey (PVP ID 15)
WF34	10	Isolated/Non-jurisdictional	~ 3,200 sf	Included in VP survey (PVP ID 14)
WF33	10	Isolated/Non-jurisdictional	1,200 sf	Not included in VP survey
WF31	18	Isolated/Non-jurisdictional	3,250 sf	Not included in VP survey
WF20	31	Isolated/Non-jurisdictional	~1,000 sf	Included in VP survey (PVP ID 10)
WF15	38	Isolated/Non-jurisdictional	850 sf	Not included in VP survey

ORAD Amendment Request Details

MassDOT requests that the Sudbury Conservation Commission revise the jurisdictional status of the previously approved wetland resource area delineation boundary to clarify status under the WPA and issue an amended ORAD to reflect any agreed upon jurisdictional changes under the WPA. Specifically, MassDOT is seeking to specify the Isolated Vegetated Wetlands as listed in Table 1 as non-jurisdictional under the WPA. Furthermore, the classification of intermittent and perennial should be documented in accordance with WPA regulations at 10.58 2(a)1 in the ORAD, as well as classification of the portions of flag series BF30 that do not meet the WPA definition of a stream. MassDOT is also seeking to enter the vernal pool survey results into the record as described.

MassDOT also requests that the ORAD be transferred to MassDOT from the Town of Sudbury to MassDOT as they are the property owner. The proposed activities to construct the BFRT would be analyzed in a separate Notice of Intent prepared by MassDOT as the Applicant under the WPA.

This Request was prepared in accordance with the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act (MGL c.131 s.40) and implementing Regulations (310 CMR 10.00). This Amendment Request is being submitted for the Commission's review at the next available public hearing on June 29, 2020. If the Commission would like to conduct a site walk prior to that date or has any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at Timothy.Dexter@state.ma.us.

Sincerely,



Tim Dexter
Fish & Wildlife Supervisor
MassDOT Highway Division

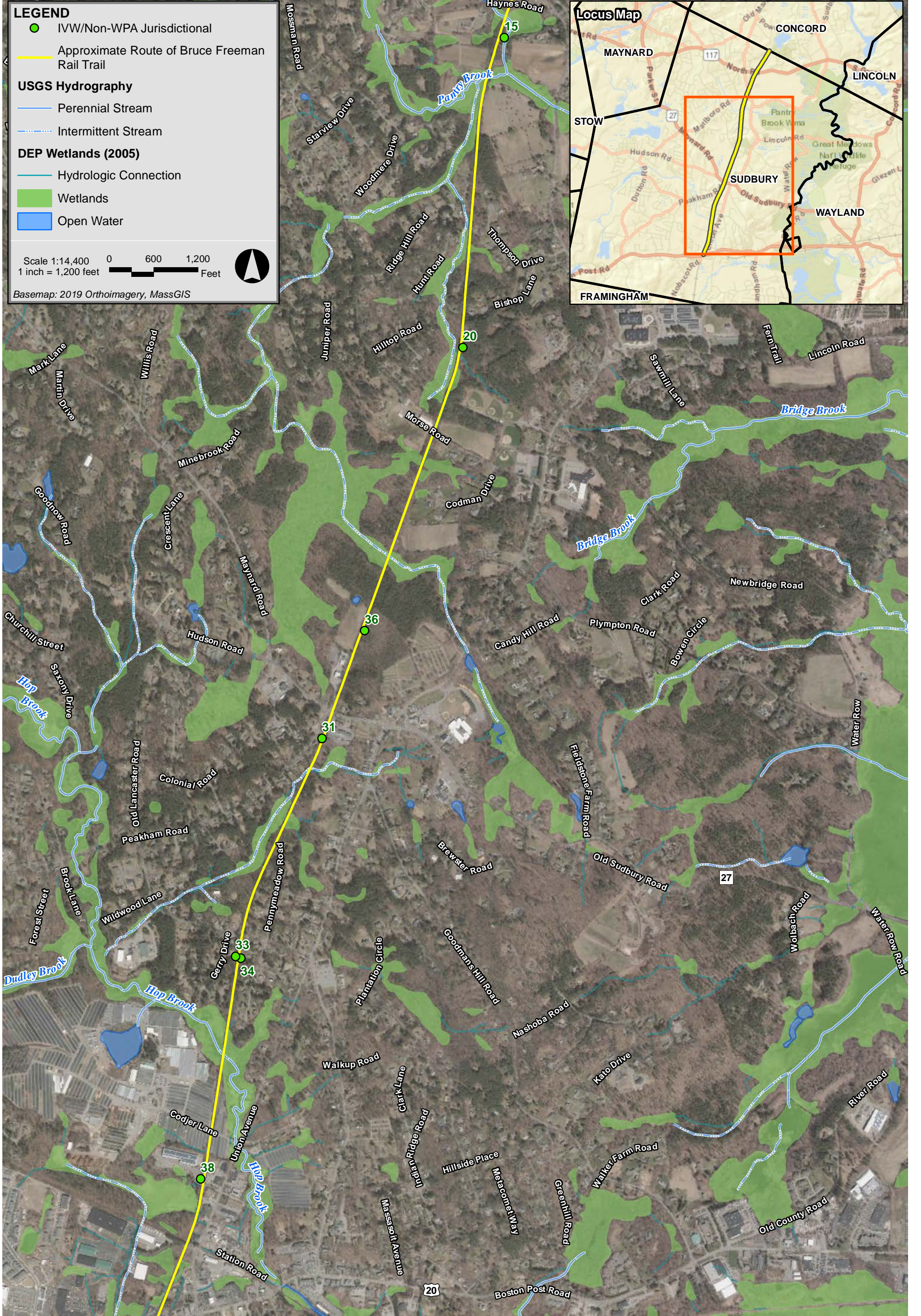
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Attachments

- Attachment A – Figures
- Attachment B – Stream Stats results
- Attachment C – Vernal Pool Surveys

Attachment A - Figure 1

Isolated Vegetated Wetland Locations



Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Sudbury, Massachusetts

Attachment B

USGS Stream Stats Results

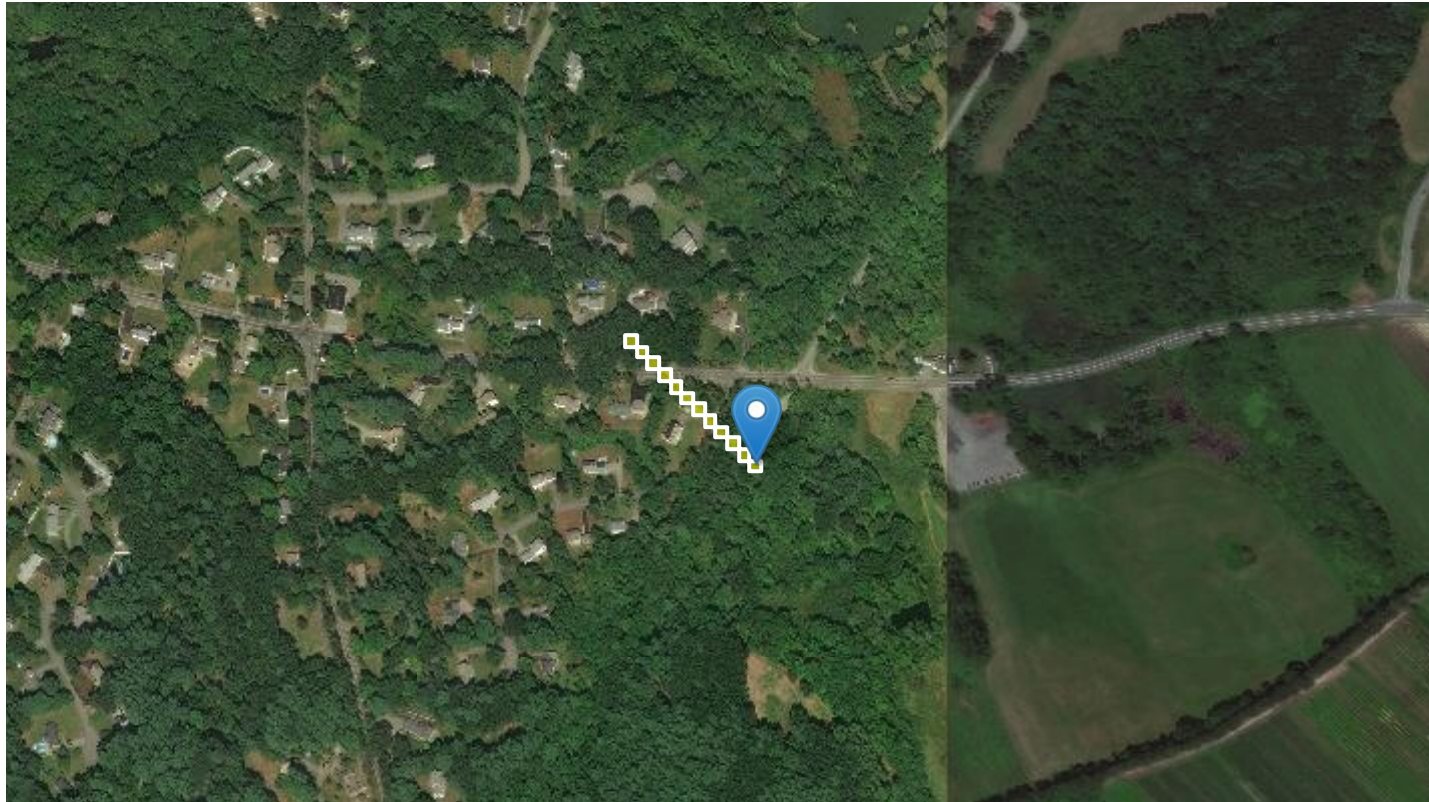
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Basin Characteristics

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Parameter Code	Parameter Description	Value	Unit
DRNAREA	Area that drains to a point on a stream	0.000463	square miles
BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	1.56	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	-100000	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.000463	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	1.56	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	-100000	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
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Low-Flow Statistics Citations

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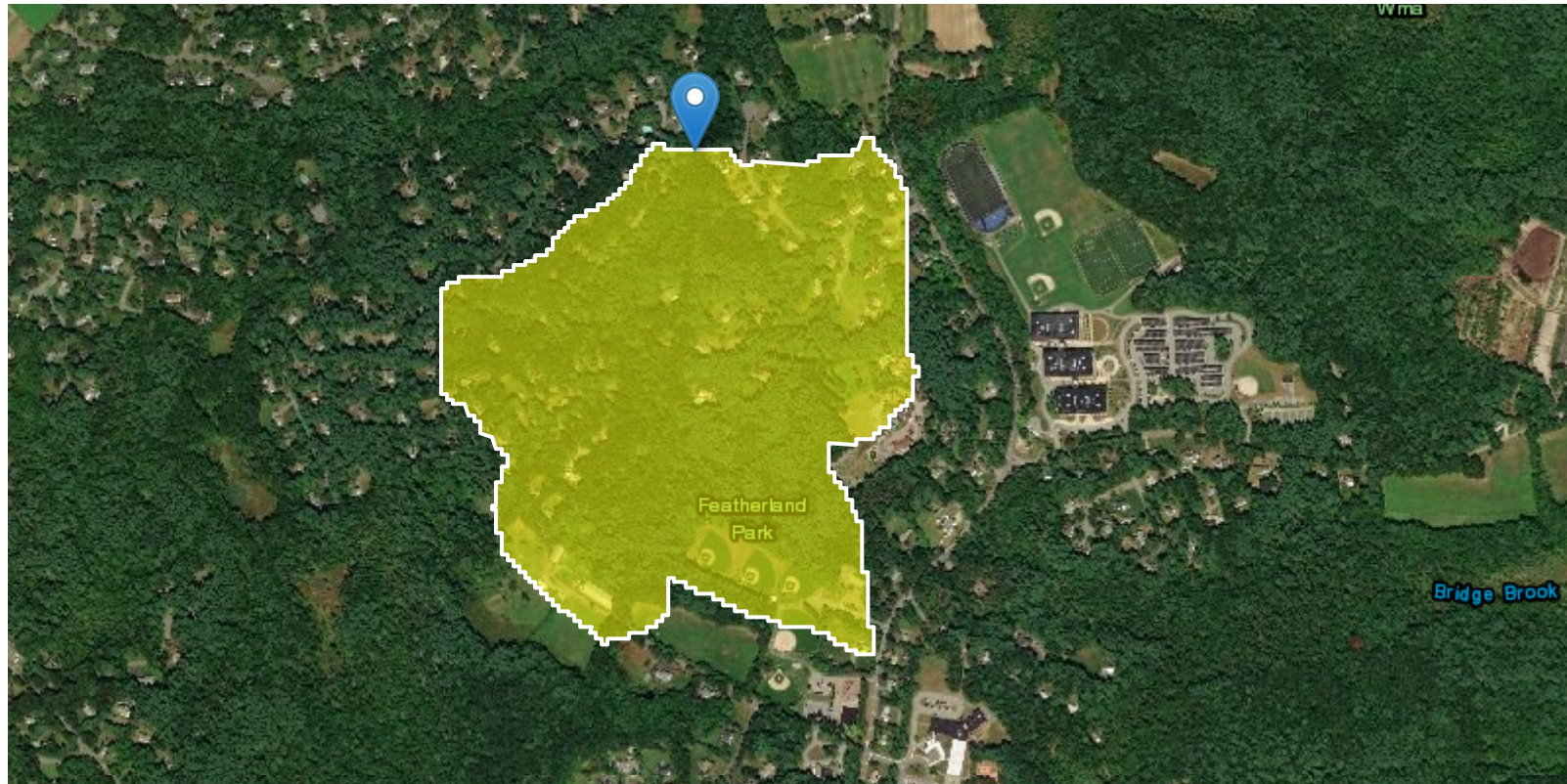
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BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	4.488	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	0.23	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.22	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	4.488	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	0.23	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

Low-Flow Statistics Disclaimers^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

One or more of the parameters is outside the suggested range. Estimates were extrapolated with unknown errors

Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	0.0182	ft ³ /s
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	0.00796	ft ³ /s

Low-Flow Statistics Citations

Ries, K.G., III, 2000, Methods for estimating low-flow statistics for Massachusetts streams: U.S. Geological Survey Water Resources Investigations Report 00-4135, 81 p. (<http://pubs.usgs.gov/wri/wri004135/>)

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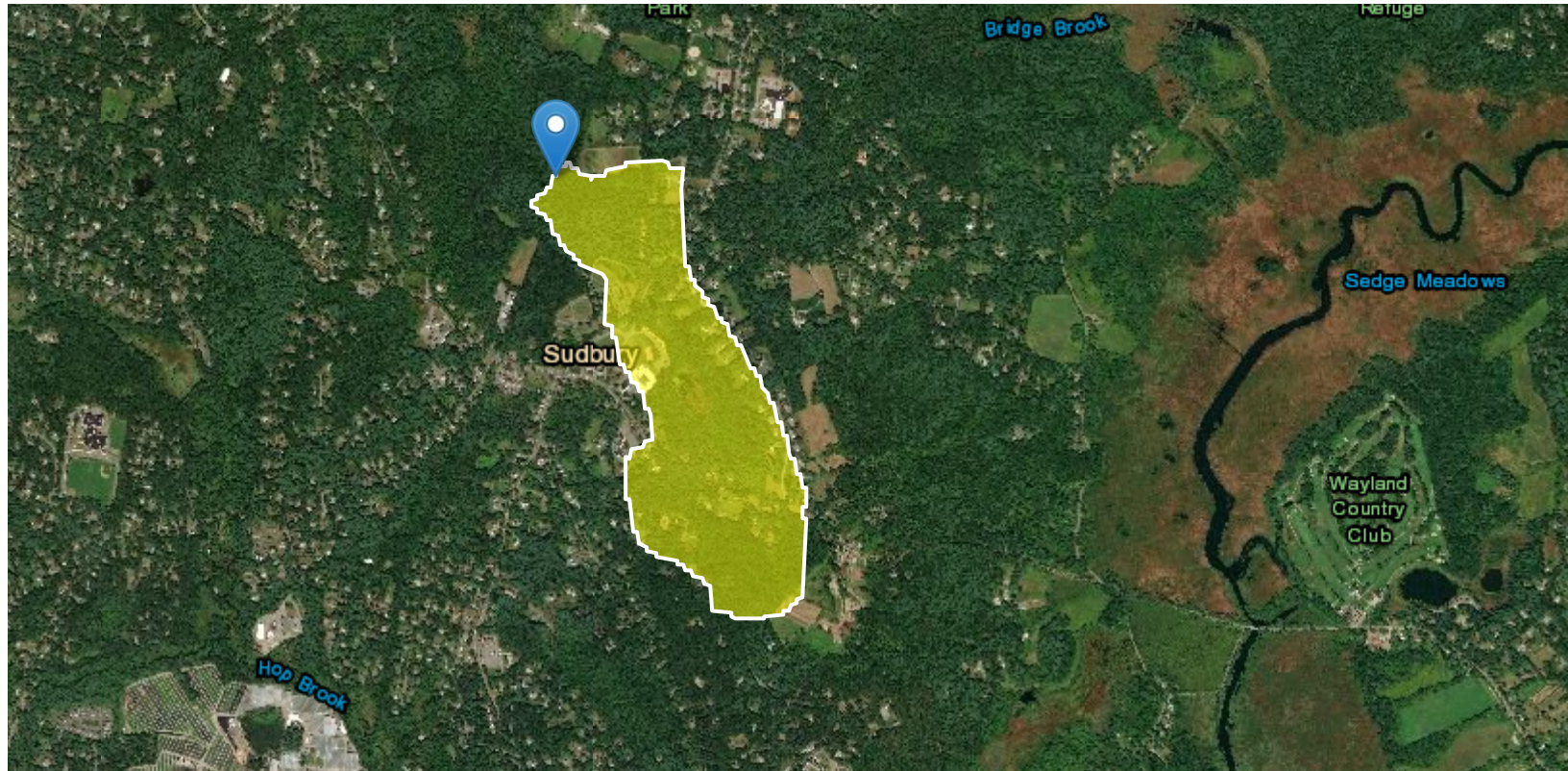
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DRNAREA	Area that drains to a point on a stream	0.31	square miles
BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	3.67	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	0.0607	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.31	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	3.67	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	0.0607	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

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Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	0.0137	ft ³ /s
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	0.00458	ft ³ /s

Low-Flow Statistics Citations

Ries, K.G., III, 2000, Methods for estimating low-flow statistics for Massachusetts streams: U.S. Geological Survey Water Resources Investigations Report 00-4135, 81 p. (<http://pubs.usgs.gov/wri/wri004135/>)

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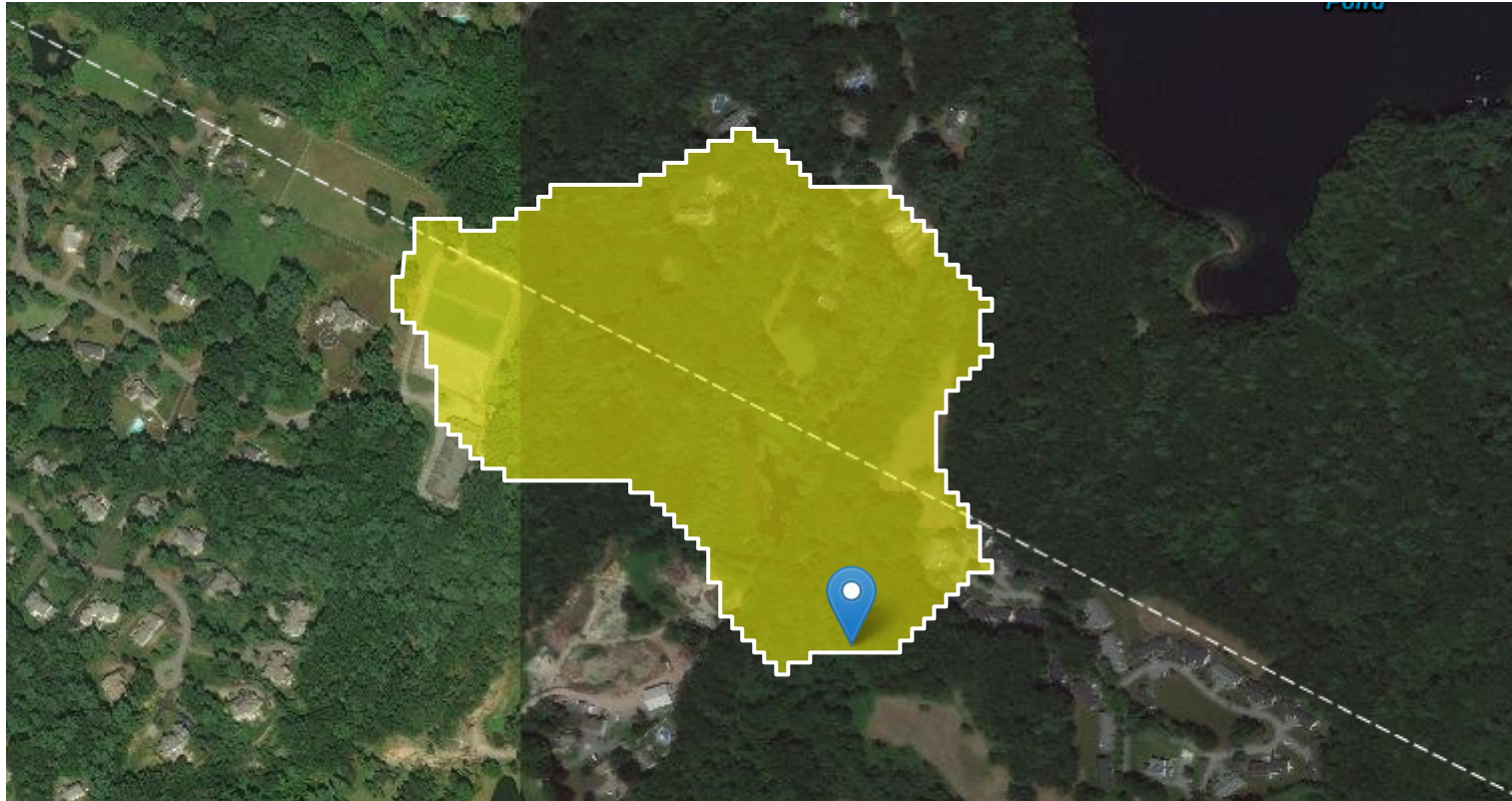
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BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	2.973	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	0.0938	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.0599	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	2.973	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	0.0938	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

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Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	0.00236	ft ³ /s
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	0.00075	ft ³ /s

Low-Flow Statistics Citations

Ries, K.G., III, 2000, Methods for estimating low-flow statistics for Massachusetts streams: U.S. Geological Survey Water Resources Investigations Report 00-4135, 81 p. (<http://pubs.usgs.gov/wri/wri004135/>)

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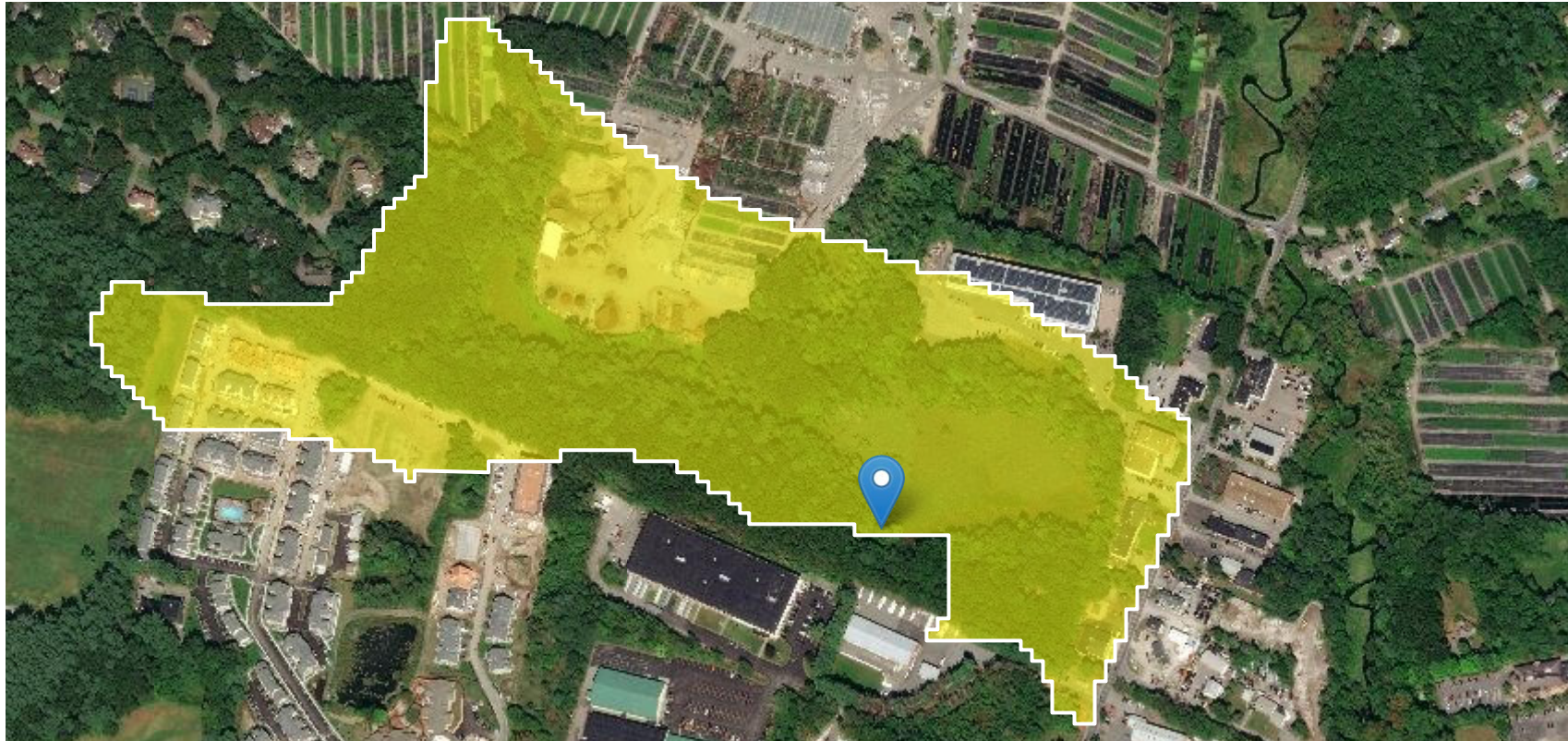
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Basin Characteristics

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BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	0.27	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	0.41	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.1	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	0.27	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	0.41	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

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Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
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Low-Flow Statistics Citations

Ries, K.G., III, 2000, Methods for estimating low-flow statistics for Massachusetts streams: U.S. Geological Survey Water Resources Investigations Report 00-4135, 81 p. (<http://pubs.usgs.gov/wri/wri004135/>)

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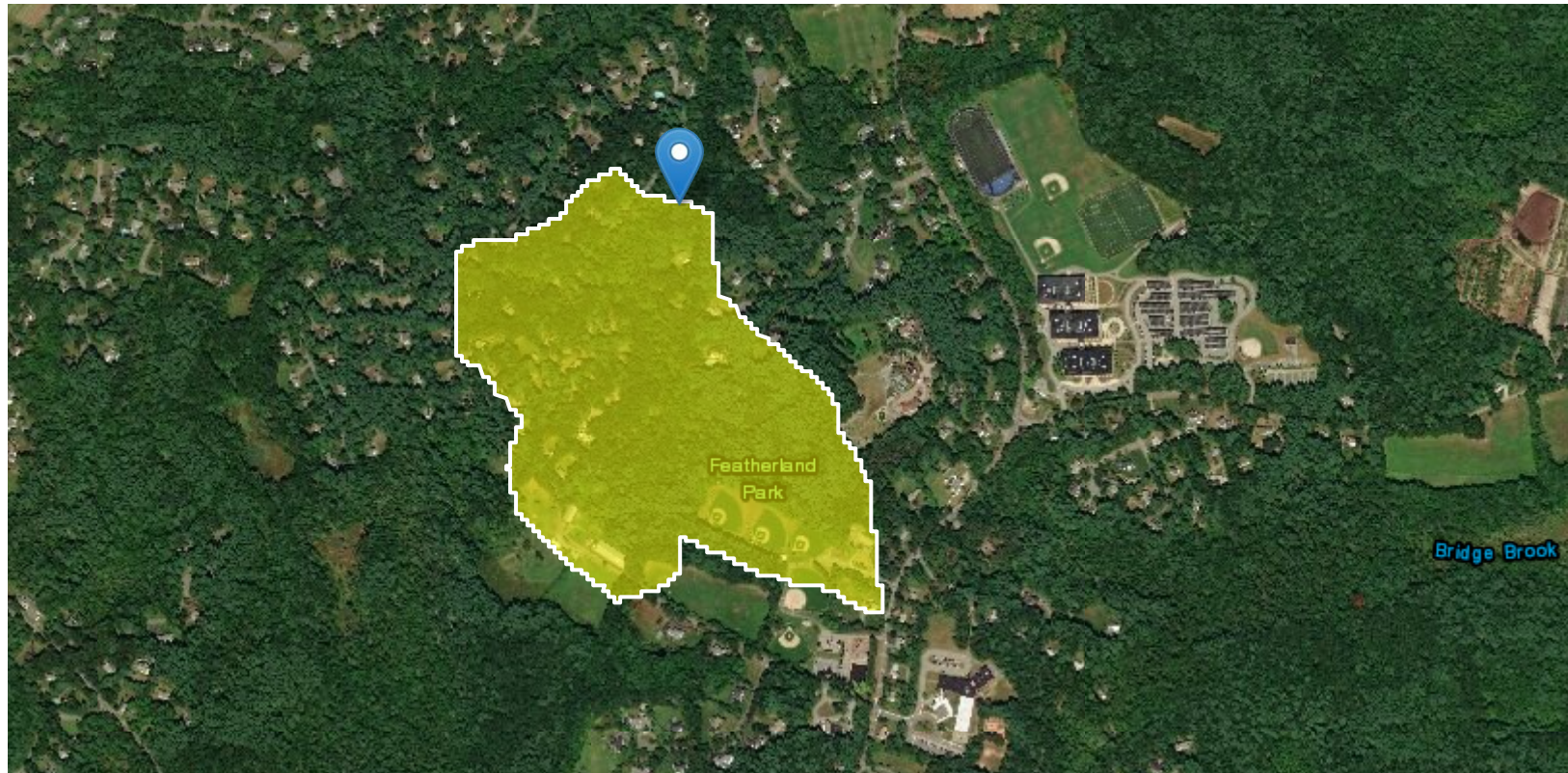
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Basin Characteristics

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Parameter Code	Parameter Description	Value	Unit
DRNAREA	Area that drains to a point on a stream	0.15	square miles
BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	4.861	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	0.18	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.15	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	4.861	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	0.18	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

Low-Flow Statistics Disclaimers^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

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Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	0.0105	ft ³ /s
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	0.00436	ft ³ /s

Low-Flow Statistics Citations

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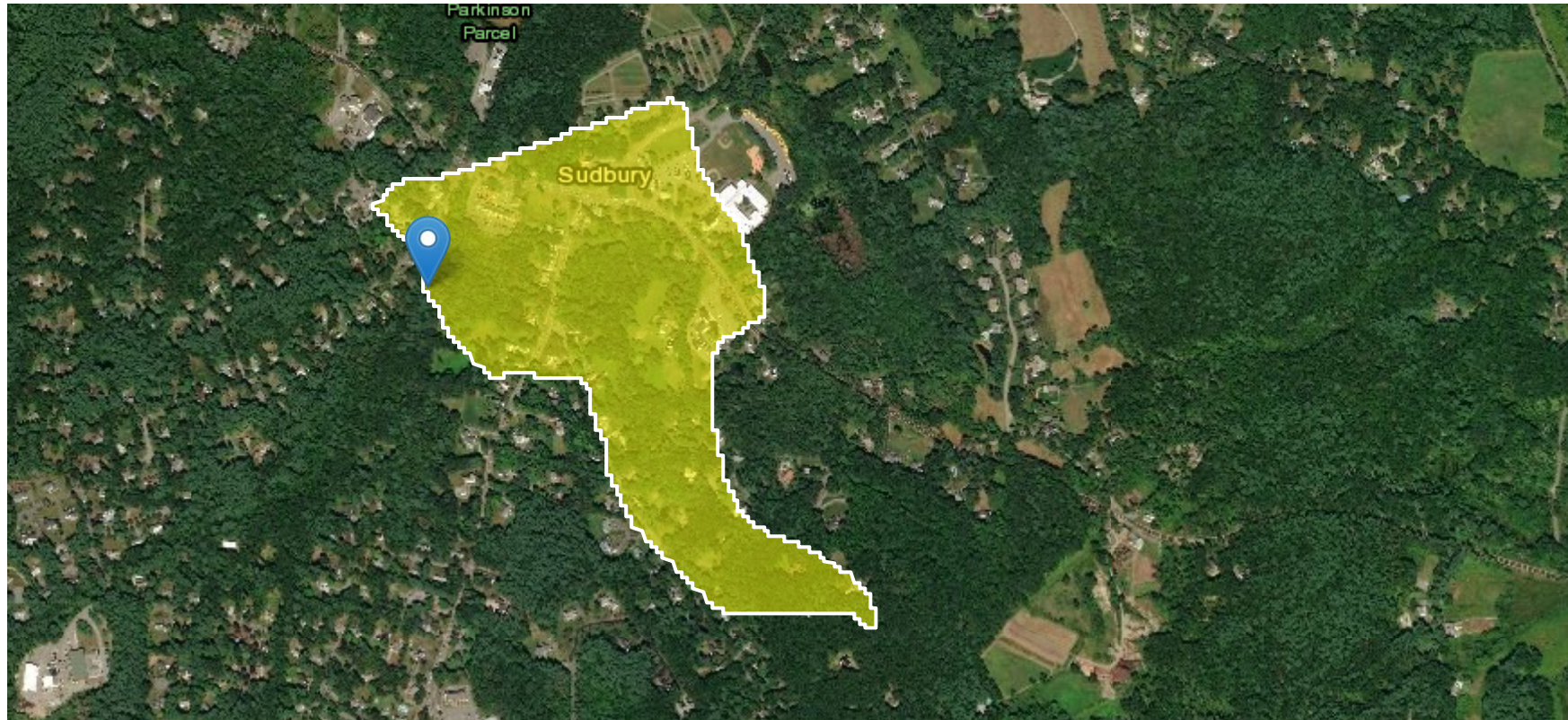
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Basin Characteristics

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Parameter Code	Parameter Description	Value	Unit
DRNAREA	Area that drains to a point on a stream	0.16	square miles
BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	2.589	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	0.000877	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.16	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	2.589	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	0.000877	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

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One or more of the parameters is outside the suggested range. Estimates were extrapolated with unknown errors

Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
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7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	0.00102	ft ³ /s

Low-Flow Statistics Citations

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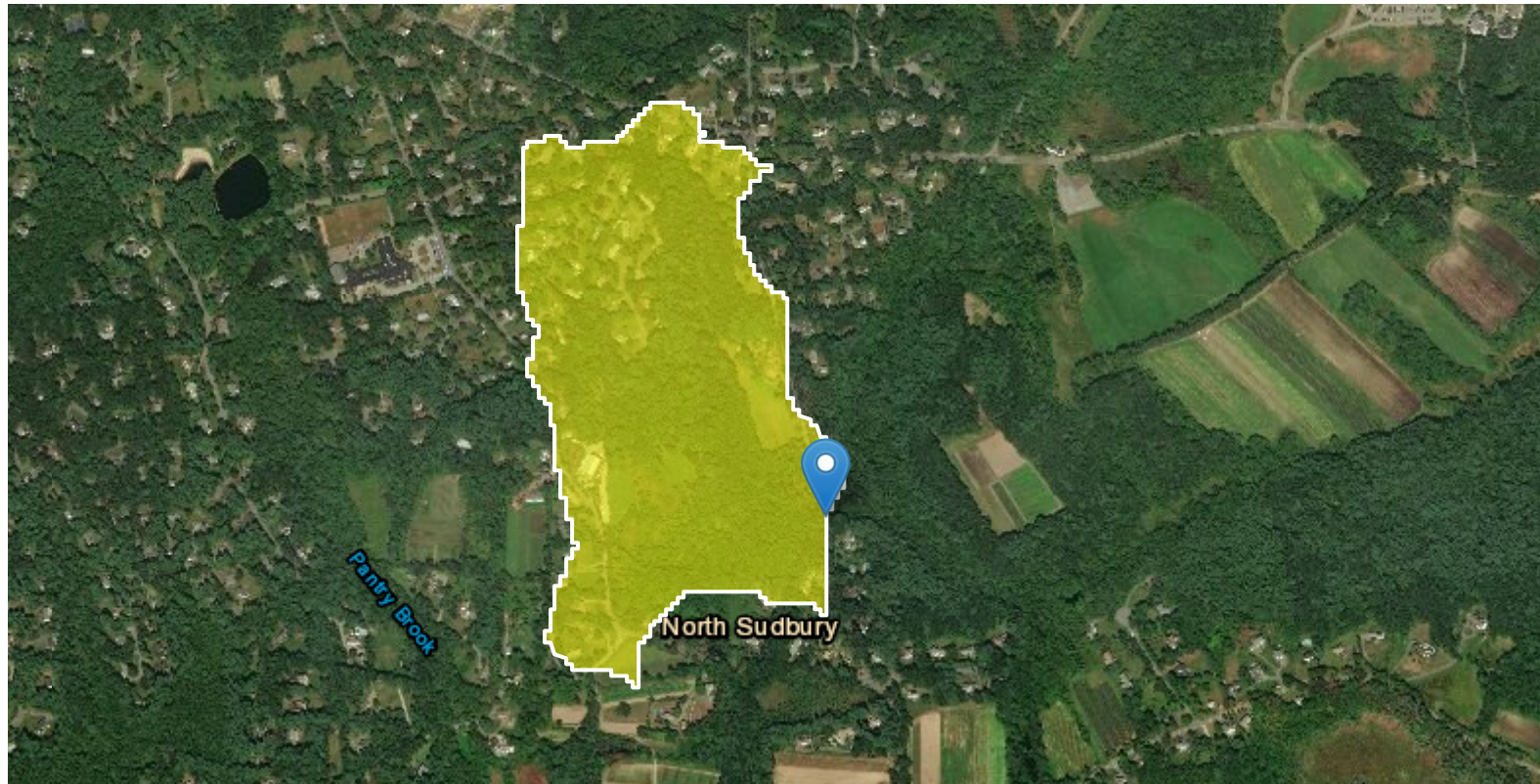
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Basin Characteristics

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Parameter Code	Parameter Description	Value	Unit
DRNAREA	Area that drains to a point on a stream	0.16	square miles
BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM	1.946	percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	0.35	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.16	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	1.946	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	0.35	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

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Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Statistic	Value	Unit
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	0.0132	ft ³ /s
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	0.00514	ft ³ /s

Low-Flow Statistics Citations

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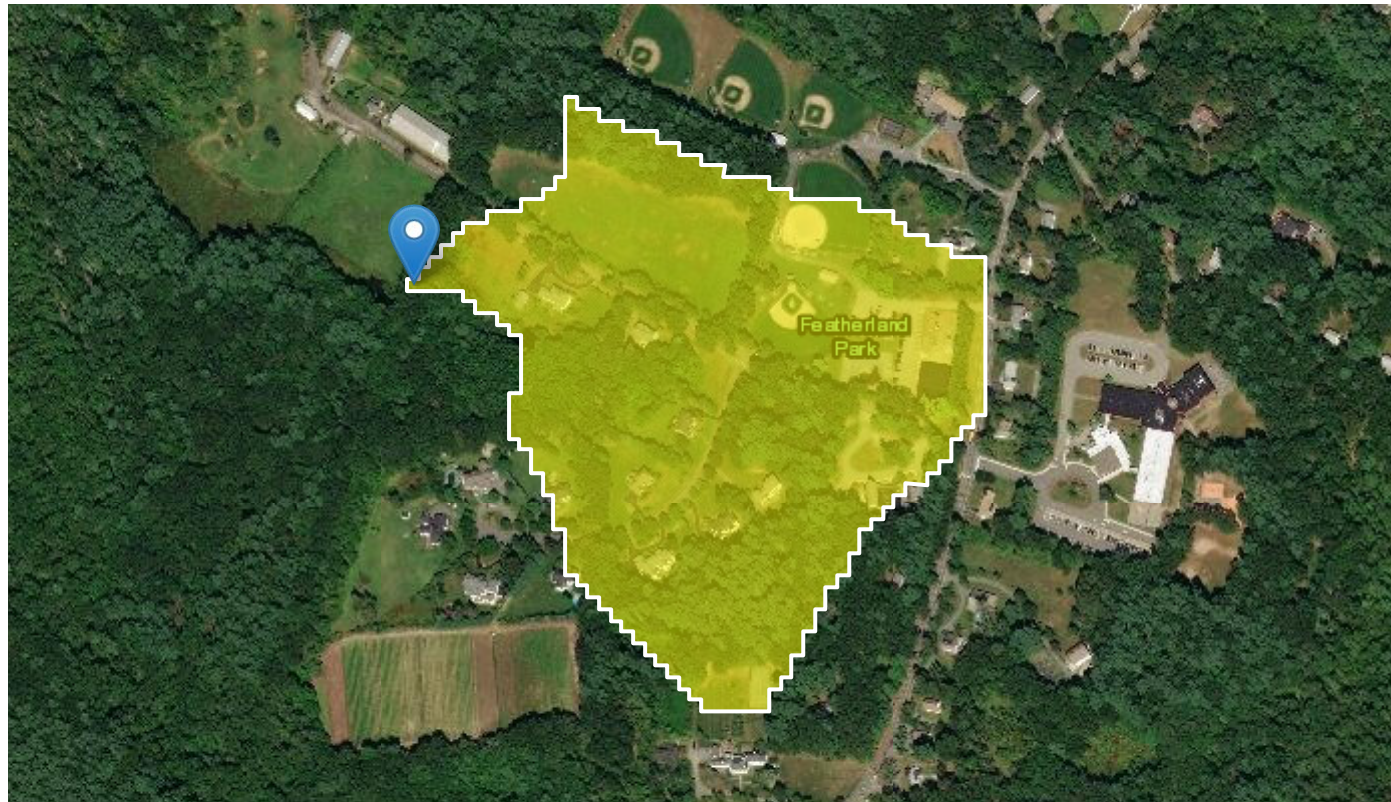
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DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	-100000	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters [Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.0587	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM	1.79	percent	0.32	24.6
DRFTPERSTR	Stratified Drift per Stream Length	-100000	square mile per mile	0	1.29
MAREGION	Massachusetts Region	0	dimensionless	0	1

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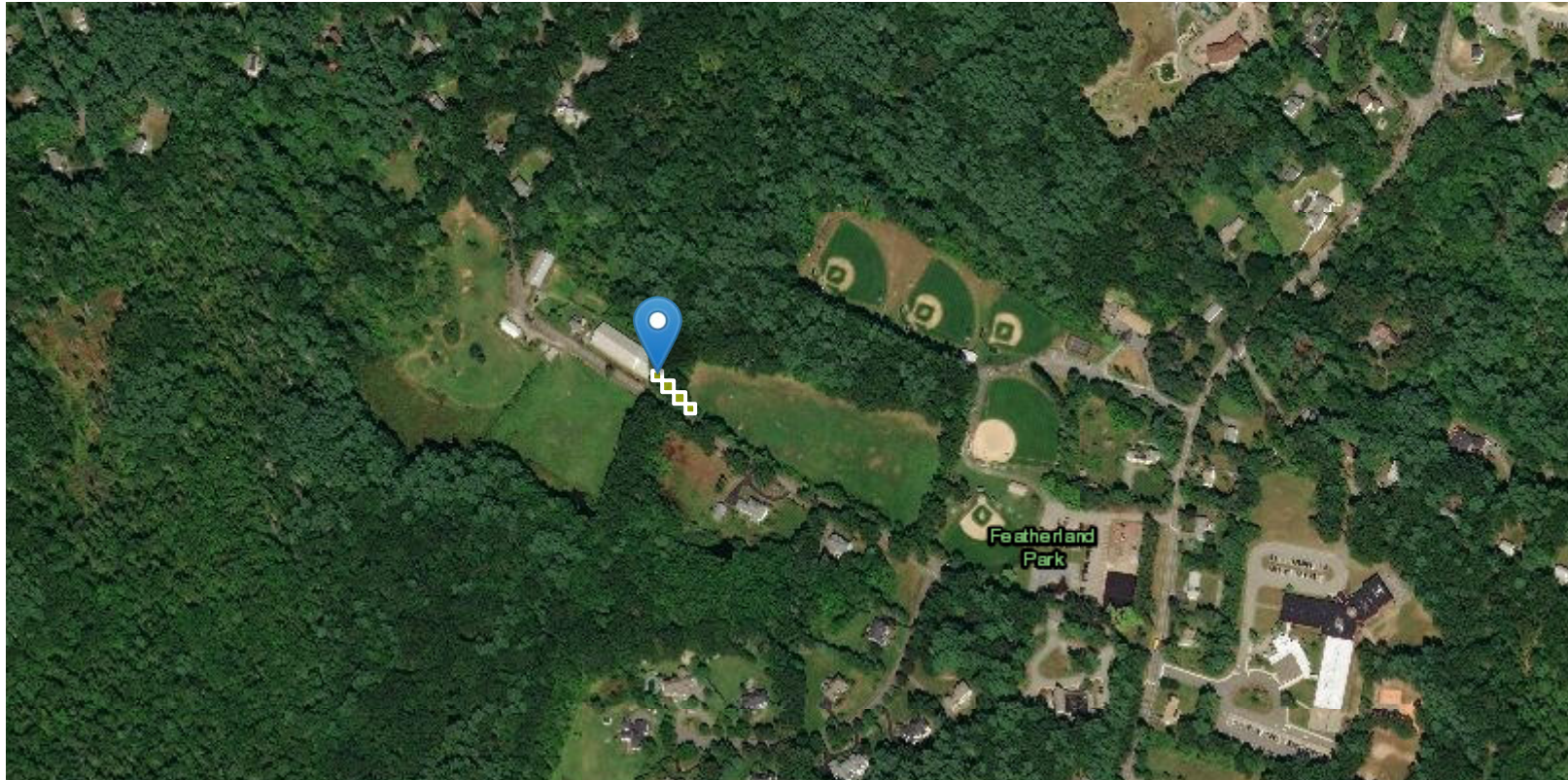
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BSLDEM250	Mean basin slope computed from 1:250K DEM		percent
DRFTPERSTR	Area of stratified drift per unit of stream length	-100000	square mile per mile
MAREGION	Region of Massachusetts 0 for Eastern 1 for Western	0	dimensionless

Low-Flow Statistics Parameters^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	0.000154	square miles	1.61	149
BSLDEM250	Mean Basin Slope from 250K DEM		percent	0.32	24.6
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Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report^[Statewide Low Flow WRIR00 4135]

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Low-Flow Statistics Citations

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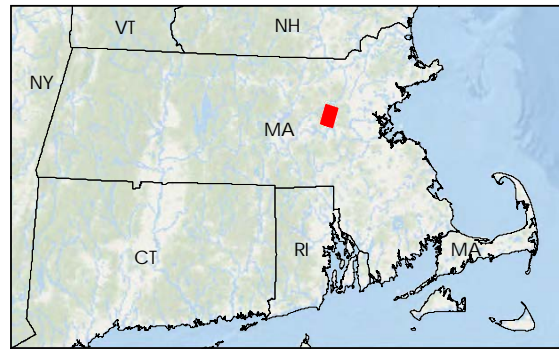
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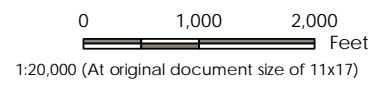
Attachment C

Vernal Pool Investigations
Prepared by VHB and Stantec



- Legend**
- Vernal Pool Location
 - NHESP Certified Vernal Pool
 - Eligible to be Certified by NHESP
 - Not Eligible to be Certified by NHESP
 - Town Boundary
 - Sudbury Rail Trail

- Data Sources**
1. Vernal pools 1 - 19 were digitized from the Existing Conditions Survey Plan At Proposed Rail Trail in Sudbury Mass., prepared by Atlantic Engineering and Survey Consultants Inc., dated June 30, 2008.
 2. Potential Vernal Pools 12a, 20 - 22 were located by Stantec on 4/17/2018 and 4/18/2018.
 3. Sudbury Rail Trail provided by MassGIS Sudbury parcel data layer.



Project Location: Sudbury, Massachusetts
 179410498
 Prepared by GC on 2018-05-01
 Reviewed by DN on 2018-05-01

Client/Project: Sudbury Rail Trail

Figure No.: 1
 Title: 2018 Potential Vernal Pool Survey

Notes

1. Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane Massachusetts Mainland FIPS 2001
2. Orthoimagery: MassGIS 2013-2014 USGS Color Orthoimagery

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Table 1. Vernal Pool Survey Results: 2015, 2017 & 2018: Bruce Freeman Rail Trail, Sudbury, Massachusetts

2015	VHB		2017	VHB		2018	Stantec	
	Water Depth (in)	Findings		Volume (>200 cubic ft.)	Findings		Water Depth (in)	Findings
PVP 1	<1	No VP species found.	PVP 1	Yes	No VP species found.	PVP 1	2	No VP species found.
PVP 2	24-48	No VP species found.	PVP 2	Yes	No VP species found.	PVP 2	25	No VP species found.
PVP 3	2-3	No VP species found.	PVP 3	Yes	No VP species found.	PVP 3	8	No VP species found.
PVP 4	6-15	1 wood frog egg mass and 2 spotted salamander egg masses	PVP 4	Yes	12 wood frog egg masses, 100+ wood frog tadpoles, and 1 dead adult wood frog	PVP 4	12	Appx. 20 wood frog egg masses.
PVP 5	2-12	No VP species found. 1 predacious diving beetle observed.	PVP 5	No	No VP species found.	PVP 5	20	No VP species found.
PVP 6	2-6	No VP species found. Direct outlet to adjacent stream	PVP 6	Yes	No VP species found.	PVP 6	12	No VP species found. Pooled area in stream floodplain and fish observed.
PVP 7	6-8	No VP species found. Limited opportunity for egg mass attachment.	PVP 7	No	No VP species found.	PVP 7	11	No VP species found.
PVP 8	2-3	No VP species found. Water was flowing through area instead of ponding due to topography.	PVP 8	Yes	No VP species found. 1 adult green frog found.	PVP 8	0	No VP species found. Stream floodplain with no discernable pool boundary or pooled area.
SVP 9 ¹	2-5	No VP species found.	SVP 9 ¹	Yes	No VP species found.	SVP 9 ¹	24	2 dead salamanders; lead phase of eastern red-backed salamander (NHESP confirmed species identification).
PVP 10	0	No VP species found. Area was dry at time of inspection.	PVP 10	No	No VP species found.	PVP 10	0	No VP species found; area dry at time of inspection.
PVP 11	10-12	8 spotted salamander egg masses. Appx. 5 small (4in) fish swimming near some of the egg masses.	PVP 11	Yes	1 dead adult wood frog.	PVP 11	11	20 mole salamander spermatophores.
PVP 12	12-24	No VP species found. Limited opportunity for egg mass attachment.	PVP 12	Yes	No VP species found. Limited opportunity for egg mass attachment (2015 results).	PVP 12	>12	Farm pond beyond fence noted in 2015 and 2017. Expected to be permanent wetland.
						PVP 12a ^{2, 4}	10	9 wood frog egg masses.
CVP 13 ³	5-24	15+ spotted salamander egg masses, 15+ blue spotted salamander egg masses, 10+ wood frog egg masses found.	CVP 13 ³	Yes	15+ spotted salamander egg masses, 15+ blue spotted salamander egg masses, 15+ fairy shrimp.	CVP 13 ³	>36	52 spotted salamander egg masses, 73 blue-spotted salamander egg masses, 72 wood frog egg masses, and fairy shrimp.
PVP 14	4-6	No VP species found.	PVP 14	Yes	1 dead adult blue spotted salamander found. No other VP species found.	PVP 14		No VP species found.
PVP 15	4-18	1 wood frog egg mass found. No other signs of VP species.	PVP 15	No	No VP species found. No water present at time of inspection.	PVP 15	18	No VP species found.
PVP 16	2-10	No VP species found (10 wood frog egg masses found on 4/22/15).	PVP 16	Yes	No VP species found.	PVP 16		No VP species found.
PVP 17	0-6	No VP species found. Oil sheen present throughout isolated wetland.	PVP 17	No	No VP species found.	PVP 17	24	1 wood frog egg mass.
PVP 18	0-12	No VP species found.	PVP 18	Yes	No VP species found.	PVP 18	32	Intermittent spring peeper calls.
PVP 19	0	No VP species found. Area was dry at time of inspection.	PVP 19	Yes	No VP species found.	PVP 19	16	No VP species found.
						PVP 20 ⁴	6	1 adult gray treefrog.
						PVP 21 ⁴	16	No VP species found.
						PVP 22 ⁴	8	No VP species found.

Bold text were identified as eligible for NHESP certification.

Notes: ¹ Previously identified as Subdbury Vernal Pool.

² Potential Vernal Pool surveyed in 2018 and located south of the PVP 12 surveyed in 2015 and 2017.

³ Previously Certified by NHESP.

⁴ New Potential Vernal Pool identified in 2018.



**General Wildlife Habitat
Assessment Report**

Bruce Freeman Rail Trail
Sudbury, Massachusetts

Wildlife Habitat Assessment Relative to
the 25% Design Submittal dated
November 2016

April 8, 2020

Prepared for:

Massachusetts Department of
Transportation

Prepared by:

Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

April 8, 2020

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

On behalf of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), Stantec Consulting Services Inc. (Stantec) performed a general wildlife habitat assessment for the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT; Project) located in Sudbury, Massachusetts, between the driveway to Chiswick Park off Union Avenue north to the Concord town line. The approximately 4.6-mile-long trail is proposed along the former Lowell Secondary Track of the Old Colony Rail Road that operated between Lowell and Framingham, Massachusetts (Figure 1). The right of way (ROW) is presently owned by MassDOT. In light of recent efforts in neighboring towns to rehabilitate the former railroad ROW as a rail trail, the Town of Sudbury (Town) is considering rehabilitation of the ROW in Sudbury to interconnect with trails in adjacent towns (Fay, Spofford, and Thorndike 2006).

The wildlife habitat assessment described herein considered the proposed impacts per 25% Design Submittal dated November 16, 2017, to wetland resource areas subject to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act regulations (310 CMR; WPA) and relative to the guidance of the 2006 *Massachusetts Wildlife Habitat Protection Guidance for Inland Wetlands* (Guidance)¹ developed by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). Stantec Certified Wildlife Biologists (CWB), Daniel Nein and Rodney Kelshaw, performed the wildlife habitat assessment following review and approval of professional qualifications by the Sudbury Conservation Commission.

The assessment included a desktop review of publicly available natural resource data, including Massachusetts Geographic Information Systems (MassGIS), prior to the field survey and a wildlife habitat field assessment conducted October 1–2, 2018. MassDOT Environmental Services staff participated in the field assessment on October 1, 2018.

2.0 METHODOLOGY

Methodology is described below for the data review and field survey associated with the general wildlife habitat assessment at the Project.

2.1 EXISTING DATA REVIEW

Stantec reviewed publicly available natural resource data from MassGIS to evaluate the potential presence or absence of resources and to identify specific areas of potential unique ecological value to target during the field assessment. The MassGIS data review included federal and state wetlands and waterways, open space, aerial photography, Areas of Critical Environmental Concern, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood zones, Coldwater Fisheries Resources, Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species data, University of Massachusetts (UMass), and surface and wellhead drinking water supplies. The UMass Conservation Assessment and Prioritization System (CAPS) data for the Town was also reviewed. This wildlife habitat assessment also considered the results

¹ MassDEP. 2006 *Massachusetts Wildlife Habitat Protection Guidance for Inland Wetlands* is available at: <http://umasscaps.org/pdf/wldhab.pdf>.



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of the previous wildlife habitat assessment performed by Call of the Wild Consulting in 2009 (Call of the Wild 2009) and vernal pool surveys performed by Stantec and other consultants between 2015 and 2018 (Stantec 2018), the results of which are summarized herein.

2.1.1 25% Design Submittal and Preliminary Resource Area Impacts

The existing data review also considered the 25% Design Submittal prepared by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB) dated November 17, 2016 (Appendix A), and the associated wetland resource area impact tables for floodplain, Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW), and Bank dated September 25, 2017 (Appendix B).

2.2 FIELD ASSESSMENT

Following the completion of the existing data review, Stantec CWBs performed the field assessment along the full length of the proposed BFRT in Sudbury to evaluate general wildlife habitat and potential for Project adverse effect relative to the Guidance. The Guidance was referenced to determine each wetland resource area to assess, followed by a determination of the impact being above or below the “significance” threshold to identify the appropriate field data form (i.e., Guidance’s Appendix A or B). The results of field form for each wetland resource area were used to assess whether or not the Project will adversely affect wildlife habitat.

Based on the preliminary wetland resource area impact calculations prepared by VHB (Appendix B) and our interpretation of the Guidance, Appendix A of the Guidance was used as the field data form when evaluating wetland resource areas where impact was proposed based on the 25% Design Submittal. Appendix A provides a simplified evaluation of small-scale alterations to ensure protection for certain “important habitat features” and identify projects that warrant detailed wildlife habitat evaluations (i.e., Appendix B of the Guidance). Appendix A also was deemed applicable based on the localized nature of proposed impacts based on the 25% Design Submittal. The following is a summary of the proposed wetland resource area impacts that triggered Appendix A of the Guidance.

- The Project proposes 4,681 square feet (sf; 3,670 sf temporary/1,011 sf permanent) of impact to BVW. Appendix A applies when impacts are below 5,000 sf to BVW.
- The Project proposes 1,752 linear ft (lf; 1705 lf temporary/47 lf permanent) of impact to Bank. Appendix A applies when impacts are above 50 lf to Bank.
- The Project proposes to fill approximately 3 cubic yards and cut approximately 73 cubic yards of floodplain/Bordering Land Subject to Flooding. The proposed impacts do not trigger Appendix A, but localized Bank habitat can be important to wildlife, so the wildlife habitat assessment evaluated where impact is proposed to this resource.
- Impacts to Previously Developed Riverfront Areas does not require a wildlife habitat assessment per the Guidance; however, Riverfront can be important to wildlife, so the wildlife habitat assessment considered these areas associated with Hop Brook, the unnamed tributary to Hop Brook, and Pantry Brook.



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Stantec assessed the ROW for the following important habitat features outlined in Appendix A of the Guidance:

- Habitat for state-listed species
- Sphagnum hummocks and pools suitable as nesting habitat for four-toed salamanders
- Trees with large cavities (>18" diameter at entrance)
- Existing beaver, mink, or otter dens
- Areas within 100 feet of existing beaver, mink or otter dens
- Existing nest trees for birds that traditionally reuse nests (bald eagle, osprey, great blue heron)
- Land containing freshwater mussel beds
- Wetland and waterbodies known to contain open water in winter that may serve as waterfowl winter habitat
- Turtle nesting areas
- Vertical sandy banks (bank swallows, rough-winged swallows or kingfishers)

In addition to the above habitat features, the Guidance identifies the following habitat characteristics to evaluate when not commonly encountered in the surrounding area:

- stream bed riffle zones,
- springs,
- gravel stream bottoms (trout and salmon nesting substrate,
- plunge pools (deep holes) in rivers or streams, and;
- medium to large, flat rock substrates in streams.

The activities identified in Appendix A of the Guidance, if proposed within resources areas, that would trigger a detailed wildlife habitat evaluation include:

- Activities located in mapped "Habitat of Potential Regional or Statewide Importance"
- Activities affecting certified or documented vernal pool habitat, including habitat within 100 feet of a certified or documented vernal pool when within another jurisdictional resource area
- Activities in Bank, Land Under Water, Bordering Land Subject to Flooding (presumed significant) where alterations are more than twice the size of thresholds
- Activities affecting vegetated wetlands >5000 sf occurring in source areas other than Bordering Vegetated Wetland
- Activities affecting the sole connector between habitats >50 acres in size



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- Installation of structures that prevent animal movement
- Activities for the purpose of bank stabilization using hard structure solutions that significantly affect ability of stream channel to shift and meander, or disrupt continuity in cover that would inhibit animal passage, and
- Dredging (>5,000 sf)

The evaluation not only considered Appendix A of the Guidance but additional evidence of wildlife use and potential wildlife habitat not identified on Appendix A and general design recommendations that would avoid, minimize, and mitigate impacts, where deemed applicable, to general wildlife habitat interests protected under the WPA.

3.0 RESULTS

The results of the existing data review and field assessment at the Project are presented below.

3.1 EXISTING DATA REVIEW

The BFRT is proposed along an existing ROW in a suburb of Greater Boston where adjacent primary land uses include residential, commercial / industrial, and open space available for conservation and recreation. Several of these larger open space parcels are owned by the Town and occur near the northern extent of the Project. Commercial / industrial uses primarily occur in the southern extent of the ROW, located south of Codjer Lane and near the Hudson Road (Route 27) and North Road (Route 117) road crossings. The ROW crosses several perennial or intermittent waterways, including Hop Brook and Pantry Brook. We understand the determination of whether a stream is perennial or not may be ongoing and is being performed by others. Wetland areas are present in lower lying areas along the ROW, some of which are associated with riparian areas.

Table 1 below summarizes the natural resource desktop data review and identifies resources within, or immediately adjacent to, the ROW. It is noteworthy that unique ecological communities and high value wildlife habitat requiring regulatory review are not present within or proximal to the Project; these include:

- Critical Habitat for federally listed species,
- Priority or Estimated Habitat for state-listed species or BioMap2 Critical Natural Landscape, or
- Area of Critical Environmental Concern.



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Table 1. Existing Natural Resource Data Review, Bruce Freeman Rail Trail, Sudbury, Massachusetts

Resource Type Within or Immediately Adjacent* to Project	Yes	No
NHESP BioMap2 Core Habitat Core Habitat 1920 (mapped for Species of Conservation Concern)	X	
NHESP Critical Natural Landscape		X
NHESP Priority/Estimated Habitat for state listed species		X
NHESP Potential Vernal Pool (8 PVPs) PVPs 24213, 24206, 24192, 24191, 24159, 24158, 24157, 24155	X	
NHESP Certified Vernal Pool CVP 1428 between Route 27 & Morse Road CVP 2504 between Route 27 & Old Lancaster Road	X	
NHESP Natural Community		X
Area of Critical Environmental Concern		X
Critical Habitat for federally listed species		X
UMass CAPS Habitat of Potential Regional or Statewide Significance	X	
MassWildlife Coldwater Fisheries Resource Hop Brook Unnamed Tributary to Hop Brook	X	
Protected Open Space	X	
MassDEP wetlands	X	
Bicycle Trails	X	
Surface Water Protection Area (Zone A, B, or C)		X
Zone II Wellhead Protection Area	X	
Interim Wellhead Protection Area		X
FEMA National Flood Hazard Area	X	

Notes:

Data is derived from MassGIS with the exception of CAPS data from UMass and Critical Habitat data from USFWS.

* For the purposes of the data review, immediately adjacent is considered as present within 500 feet of the Project ROW.

BioMap2 Core Habitat² (for Species of Conservation Concern) as mapped by the NHESP occurs between Hudson Road (Route 27) and Morse Road (Figure 2a). The Project is not mapped as BioMap2 Critical Natural Landscape, which can overlap with BioMap2 Core Habitat. BioMap2 is intended as a strategic conservation planning tool designed by the by the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game and Massachusetts Nature Conservancy in 2010 to guide strategic biodiversity conservation to focus land protection and stewardship on areas most critical for ensuring long-term persistence of rare and native species and their habitats, exemplary natural communities, and a diversity of ecosystems and includes

² BioMap2 Core Habitat consists of 1,242,000 acres that are critical for the long-term persistence of rare species and other Species of Conservation Concern, as well as a wide diversity of natural communities and intact ecosystems across the Commonwealth. It includes habitats of rare, vulnerable or uncommon species; Priority Natural Communities; high quality wetland, vernal pool, aquatic, and coastal habitats; and intact forest ecosystems.



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the habitats and species of conservation concern identified in the State Wildlife Action Plan. When the NHESP updated Priority Habitat of Rare Species and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife mapping in 2017 for the 14th Edition of the Natural Heritage Atlas, which are regulatory maps used for review under Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA and WPA, respectively), the Project was not mapped within or proximal to either habitat. It is possible that the BioMap2 Core Habitat from 2010 overlapping the Project was due to the inclusion of NHESP Priority Habitat mapping that predated the 14th Edition of the Natural Heritage Atlas.

Two generally small areas, which are adjacent to but not within the Project, have been modeled by the UMass Conservation and Assessment Prioritization System (CAPS)³ and are mapped as Habitat of Potential Regional or Statewide Importance⁴. The first is the existing CVP noted above and surrounding forest immediately west of the ROW between Hudson Road and Morse Road, and second is small open water wetland/PVP and shoreline area immediately west of the ROW near the Sudbury-Concord town line (Figure 2a). When areas modeled by CAPS occur within jurisdiction of the WPA, they are subject to the Guidance.

Hop Brook and an unnamed tributary to Hop Brook are designated as Coldwater Fisheries Resources by Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) (Figure 2b). Wellhead Protection Areas, Zone IIs, occur at the northern and southern extents of the ROW (Figure 2b). The nearest Surface Water Protection Areas associated with Cambridge Reservoir and surrounding waterbodies of the Charles River Watershed are located in the adjacent towns of Lincoln, Weston, and Waltham. FEMA Floodzones can be generally associated with low-lying areas at waterway crossings and wetlands.

There are two National Wildlife Refuges (NWR) (2,480 acres), one state Wildlife Management Area (WMA, 411 acres), two State Forests (~1,630 acres), one municipal state forest (289 acres) and multiple other open space parcels located within 5 miles of the Project. The boundaries of the Pantry Brook State Park WMA and Great Meadows NWR are located approximately 1,100 feet and 2,100 feet east of the ROW, respectively (Figure 2c). The boundary of the Marlborough-Sudbury State Forest, Callahan State Forest, Memorial Forest, and Assabet River NWR are located approximately 2 miles west or southwest of the ROW. Non-federal or state protected open space within a mile of the ROW includes Mineway Brook Corridor, Brues Woods, Gray Reservation, and Emmons Conservation Restriction (Figure 2c). Using data publicly available through MassGIS, greater than 30% and more than 25,000 acres of the land area within a 5-mile buffer of the ROW is currently protected open space.

Mapped vernal pool habitat (Potential or Certified Vernal Pools, PVP and CVP, respectively) are present in low density and scattered along and generally proximal to the ROW. At a landscape scale, vernal pools are more common in other parts of Sudbury and nearby towns. Several PVPs are generally present in the northern extent of the ROW and two CVPs have been identified in the southern extent of the ROW (Figure 2a). Under WPA, vernal pool habitat protection includes the vernal pool and the 100-foot zone around the vernal pool when located within a wetland resource area.

³ CAPS is an ecosystem-based (coarse-filter) approach for assessing the ecological integrity of lands and waters and subsequently identifying and prioritizing land for habitat and biodiversity conservation.

⁴ Areas representing the 40% of the landscape with the highest potential wildlife habitat value as measured by CAPS, and applicable to the MassDEP Guidance when within the jurisdiction of WPA.



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The ROW is mapped as a Bicycle Trail, which is a MassGIS data layer representing trails where bicycles are a permitted use and corridors with conversion potential. The mapping in Sudbury connects with the Bicycle Trail mapping in adjacent towns of Concord and Framingham. The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation created this data layer for the purpose of regional planning and mapping.

Call of the Wild Consulting performed a wildlife habitat assessment between 2007 and 2008 in response to the Town's request for a comprehensive four-season wildlife habitat assessment (Call of the Wild 2009). Wildlife habitat assessment results, evidence of species use, and recommendations were provided in 2009.

3.2 FIELD ASSESSMENT RESULTS

A two-day field survey was conducted on October 1–2, 2018 to evaluate general wildlife habitat conditions, wildlife use, and direct observations of wildlife species within and near delineated wetland resource areas within the ROW that may be adversely affected by the Project. MassDOT Environmental Services staff participated in the field assessment on October 1, 2018. Stantec's wildlife habitat assessment was subsequent to the wetland delineation conducted by VHB in 2015-2016 that supported development of the 25% Project Design Submittal. This evaluation is based on the 25% Project Design Submittal and proposed impacts at this early stage should continue to be evaluated as the Project design advances in an effort to further avoid and minimize the possibility of adverse effect to not only general wildlife habitat, but the other interests protected under the WPA.

As noted in Section 3.1, the ROW traverses a suburban setting with adjacent areas of protected open space, past/current agricultural use, and commercial/industrial businesses. Representative and dominant ecological communities which were observed adjacent to the ROW included variants of the Mixed Oak Forest/Woodland, White Pine-Oak Forest, and Red Maple Swamp as described in the *Classification of Natural Communities of Massachusetts* (Swain 2016). These communities are widespread and considered common and secure in Massachusetts. The encroachment of commercial and residential land uses within the ROW has occurred over time. The ROW is approximately 65 feet wide for most of its length and is predominantly a wooded corridor passing through multiple wetland areas, including vegetated wetlands, perennial/intermittent streams, and associated floodplain. Wetland areas are previously disturbed or presumed to be an artifact or, at a minimum, influenced hydrologically by the original ROW construction. The vegetated wetlands where temporary or permanent impacts are proposed generally occur at the toe of slope or near the edge of the rail bed. A further description of the wetland resource areas can be found in the VHB wetland report.

Within the ROW, the existing railbed (i.e., the earthen area containing the tracks and ties), is of variable width as a result of adjacent cut and fill slopes among other variables. The track, wooden ties, and ballast are visible along the ground surface over much of the ROW. A buildup of a shallow duff and/or soil layer over areas of ballast has occurred over time, allowing the colonization of some rooted native species; however, the dominant species are predominately invasive plant species within the ROW. It can be inferred that the initial construction of the rail bed involved the use of off-site and on-site fill material, which may have created depressions or lower lying areas and additionally caused soil compaction.



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Portions of the ROW less frequented by pedestrian foot traffic in the northern section are heavily overgrown with dense shrubbery and vines. Overall, invasive species are common throughout, including: glossy buckthorn (*Frangula alnus*), Oriental bittersweet (*Celastrus orbiculatus*), and honeysuckle (*Lonicera spp.*), with occasional occurrences of winged euonymus (*Euonymus alatus*) and Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*), and with common reed (*Phragmites australis*) frequent in wetland resource areas.

3.2.1 Wildlife Observations

The mosaic of the wooded corridor interfacing with seasonal and permanent wetlands and small waterways represents habitat for a variety of wildlife species and their uses (e.g., foraging, breeding, shelter, nesting), including representative and regionally common species expected for a suburban or urban area. However, less common or rare species are also documented from nearby state WMAs and NWFs and possibly other open space or protected areas noted in section 3.1. For example, Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*), state-listed and candidate for federal listing, and spotted turtle (*Clemmys guttata*), previously state-listed, are known inhabitants at Great Meadows NWF. The closest NHESP documented occurrence of a state-listed rare species to the Project is blue-spotted salamander (*Ambystoma laterale*) observed at the previously certified CVP 1428 located just beyond 100 feet west of station 336+00, which is further described below in the Vernal Pool Survey section as CVP #13. Direct observations of wildlife species presence within the ROW primarily included common or generalist species typical of a suburban and forested landscape such as the conditions present at the Project and those in areas of eastern Massachusetts and the region. No state-listed or federally listed species were observed within the ROW during the assessment.

Mammals

Evidence of the wildlife species at the Project in part included mammals such as white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*), coyote (*Canis latrans*), raccoon (*Procyon lotor*), gray squirrel (*Sciurus carolinensis*), eastern chipmunk (*Tamias striatus*), and red squirrel (*Tamiasciurus hudsonicus*). Open portions of the ROW provide ease of travel for mammalian species, while overgrown areas provide cover or shelter in addition to functioning as a potential travel corridor.

Evidence of prior beaver (*Castor canadensis*) activity (>5 years) within the ROW was noted in three areas and included stumps of hardwood species with evidence of beaver chew near the existing Hop Brook crossing. Inactive heavily deteriorated bank dens in the embankment close to the toe of slope at stations 264+00 near Pantry Brook and 477+00 near the open wetland modeled by CAPS were likely historically used by beaver or possibly river otter (*Lontra canadensis*). Within the ROW, including areas of proposed wetland impact, there were no observations of evidence of recent or current use by beaver, American mink (*Neovison vison*), or river otter. Riparian and open water habitat that would be considered suitable to support these species is limited at the Project, with the most likely exception of Hop Brook and Pantry Brook.

The presence of small mammal populations and additional larger mammals such as grey fox (*Urocyon cinereoargenteus*), raccoon, and other species using the ROW and adjacent areas, as reported by the Call of the Wild 2009, is anticipated given available suitable habitat to support these species.



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A potential bat roost tree was identified near station 171+30 where an impact is proposed within a wetland resource area; however, potential roost trees were observed beyond the ROW and broader potential bat roost habitat, including mature trees, is expected to be common on the landscape. The spread of White Nose Syndrome has detrimentally impacted bat populations in the northeast United States.

Birds

Representative avian species such as red-tailed hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*), American crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*), blue jay (*Cyanocitta cristata*), turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo*), black-capped chickadee (*Penthestes atricapillus*), gray catbird (*Dumetella carolinensis*), nuthatches (*Sitta* sp.), and several woodpeckers (*Picoides* sp.) were also observed at the Project. A pair of mallard ducks (*Anas platyrhynchos*) were observed in the open water wetland near the Sudbury/Concord town line. This area was modeled by CAPS and represents a small open water habitat for waterfowl and other bird species that is anticipated to freeze annually during winter months, unlike other larger open water habitats less likely to freeze in nearby WMAs and NWFs. Additional avian species anticipated to use the ROW and adjacent landscape include neotropical migrants and resident species typical of suburban forested and partially fragmented landscapes. The ROW provides an open corridor for avian travel and foraging, while overgrown areas provide increased cover, shelter, and nesting habitat, although these habitats are primarily located outside of jurisdictional areas. These types of habitats are not limited to the ROW and are expected to be abundant in the surrounding landscape.

Fisheries and Mussels

Hop Brook and an unnamed tributary to Hop Brook are designated as Coldwater Fisheries Resources by MassWildlife. Attributes of Coldwater Fisheries Resources include high water quality, natural flow regimes, cold water temperatures (less than 68°F), largely intact riparian area, and watershed connectivity. Hop Brook, the unnamed tributary to Hop Brook and additional potential perennial and intermittent streams were evaluated for the presence of fisheries and mussel habitat, including the habitat features and considerations identified in Appendix A.

The in-stream conditions at the existing Hop Brook crossing and nearby unnamed tributary to Hop Brook indicate a perennial condition with a sand and sparse gravel streambed with moderate shoreline and submerged aquatic vegetation. Habitat conditions are anticipated to support coldwater species where the ROW crosses these waterways. Species such as brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*), dace (*Rhinichthys* spp.), and white suckers (*Catostomus commersonii*) may be present in small densities and are examples of species that would need to be documented to designate the waterway as a Coldwater Fisheries Resource by MassWildlife.

In-stream conditions at the Pantry Brook crossing include a higher percentage of muck/organic material in the substrate. Water quality is not expected to be as high in this area compared to Hop Brook and high water quality is needed to support coldwater species; however, habitat could support some warmwater species.



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Conditions at and near each perennial waterway crossing did not appear suitable (e.g., substrate, depth) for mussel beds, nor was there evidence of the predation of mussels, such as empty shells, which is also an indication of species presence.

There is the potential for mussel beds, and plunge pools and gravel dominated substrates suitable for fish spawning to be present further up or downstream of the areas assessed for the Project. The designation of Coldwater Fisheries Resources for waterways at the Project indicates suitable conditions are present for coldwater fish species, which might also be suitable for some mussel species.

Vernal Pool Species

A vernal pool survey at the Project was conducted by Stantec in April 2018 (Stantec 2018) and evaluated eligibility under the NHESP 2009 *Guidelines for the Certification of Vernal Pool Habitat* and the Sudbury Wetlands Administration Bylaw Regulations (Bylaw) revised September 25, 2017. The results of the 2018 survey identified three vernal pools eligible for NHESP certification (PVP 4, PVP 11, and PVP 12a). CVP 13⁵ continues to meet NHESP certification requirements, and PVP 9⁶, PVP 17, and PVP 20 may meet criteria as a vernal pool under the Town's Bylaw. Amphibian species observed during the spring survey included: wood frog (*Lithobates sylvaticus*), spotted salamander (*Ambystoma maculatum*), red-backed salamander (*Plethodon cinereus*), gray treefrog (*Hyla versicolor*), blue-spotted salamander (CVP 13; NHESP CVP# 1428), and spring peeper (*Pseudacris crucifer*).

There was no evidence of turtle nesting (i.e., shell fragments or nests excavated by mammals) or measurable areas of suitable turtle nesting habitat with the ROW or immediate vicinity observed during the 2018 vernal pool survey or wildlife habitat assessment.

4.0 EVALUATION OF ADVERSE EFFECT

The results of the data review and the results of the field survey were used to assess whether or not the Project will result in an adverse effect to wildlife habitat subject to the WPA. None of the important habitat features or other thresholds identified in Appendix A of the MassDEP guidance were observed within or proximal to wetland resource areas where temporary or permanent Project impacts are proposed. Additionally, no other high value habitats or species particularly sensitive to the construction of a rail trail were observed. The trail is not expected to be a barrier to wildlife usage patterns near the Project or at the landscape level, as most species would shift habitat usage patterns, as needed, to carry out their life cycles during construction and post-construction. Therefore, potential habitat impact within jurisdiction of the WPA is generally localized, temporary, occurring previously disturbed area, and would occur to habitat that is not considered critical; or limiting at the Project or the local landscape. As a result, no adverse effect to wildlife habitat within wetland resource areas is anticipated based on the 25% Design

⁵ Obligate vernal pools species observed in 2018 included fairy shrimp (*Eubrachipus* spp.) and blue-spotted salamander (*Ambystoma laterale*) egg masses.

⁶ The NHESP confirmed Stantec's 2018 identification of two dead salamanders as the lead phase for eastern red-backed salamander.



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Submittal. As the Project design develops further, recommendations are provided below for consideration in consultation with the Sudbury Conservation Commission and other resource agencies, as appropriate.

5.0 ADDITIONAL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The following additional recommendations relative to the protection of wildlife habitat should be considered as Project planning and design continues.

1. Locate the Project limit of disturbance within existing ROW to the greatest extent practical, including staging areas, construction access, parking, and scenic vistas.
2. Avoid or minimize tree clearing where possible. For example, the forested habitat surrounding high value or productive vernal pools (e.g., certified or certifiable by NHESP), particularly the 100-foot zone surrounding the boundary of the pool breeding habitat.
3. Implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) to avoid/minimize potential impacts to wetland resources areas that support wildlife habitat. For example, avoidance and minimization of erosion and sedimentation into wetland resource areas, use of clean heavy machinery at Project to limit/avoid introduction of invasive non-native plant species, avoidance of machinery refueling in buffer zones, and general housekeeping (including final site cleanup).
4. Establish a robust erosion and sedimentation control program per MassDEP Erosion and Sedimentation Control Guidelines and guidance from the Sudbury Conservation Commission, including monitoring and timely maintenance throughout construction due to the proximity of limits of work near some wetland resource areas.
5. Use plantings and seed from native plant species during restoration of disturbed areas. The selection of species for plantings should consider enhancing or replacing wildlife habitat use (e.g., fruiting shrubs, pollinator habitat, evergreen species for cover, etc.).
6. Incorporate minimum Massachusetts Stream Crossing Standards at perennial waterway crossings to the maximum extent practical. Consider these standards in additional areas that may provide high value wildlife habitat (e.g., intermittent stream). In the case of Hop Brook, the reuse/rehabilitation of the existing bridge to span the brook is being considered for the design.
7. Consider maintaining or creating wildlife crossing passage at strategic locations underneath the trail (e.g., existing cattle crossing used by wildlife, new crossing where amphibians migrate from the forest to high value vernal pools close to the ROW).
8. If scenic vistas or additional parking are proposed, cite these in areas that avoid and minimize the potential impact to wildlife habitat and wildlife behavior.
9. Monitoring of Priority and Estimated Habitat mapping by the NHESP for the potential presence of state-listed species near or at the Project as environmental permitting continues.
10. Avoid or minimize installation of physical barriers that would create impassable conditions across the trail for some smaller wildlife species.



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11. Consider leash and waste clean-up rules for pets at the Project.
12. Strategically girdling trees (e.g., cottonwood) that are located a safe distance from the ROW (to avoid creating hazard tree to humans). This management practice would increase the number of standing dead trees that could offer natural cavities and crevices for wildlife (e.g., roosting bats, nesting birds and waterfowl, small mammal dens).
13. Beneficially reuse trees and brush cleared during on-site site preparation to create new or enhance existing brush piles near the ROW to serve as wildlife habitat (e.g., refugia for small mammals, amphibians, and reptiles; and nesting habitat for songbirds).
14. Avoid and minimize effects of temporary construction and permanent lighting to the maximum extent practical to minimize the potential for the disruption of wildlife behavior. If permanent lighting is proposed, use full cutoff lens to direct lighting downward toward the trail surface to avoid and minimize the secondary effect to adjacent wildlife habitat.
15. Consider strategically locating signage along the trail (e.g., trail heads or parking areas) to educate trail users about wildlife and wetland ecology.

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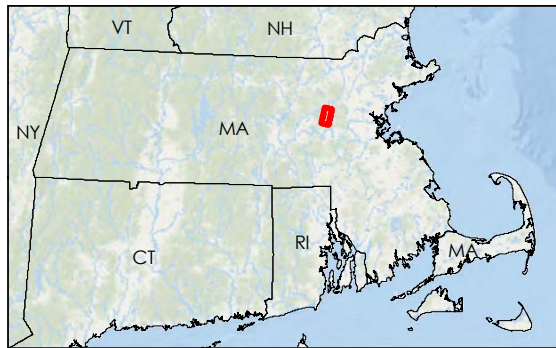


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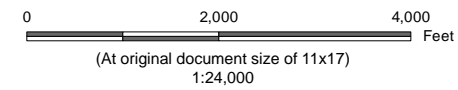
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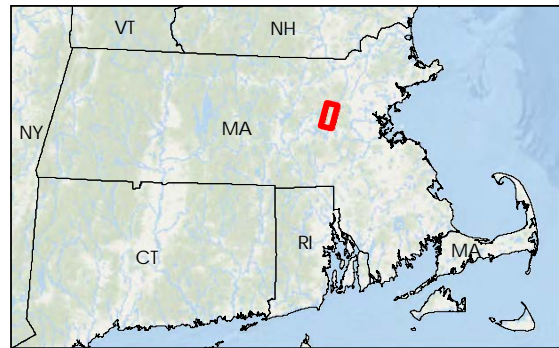
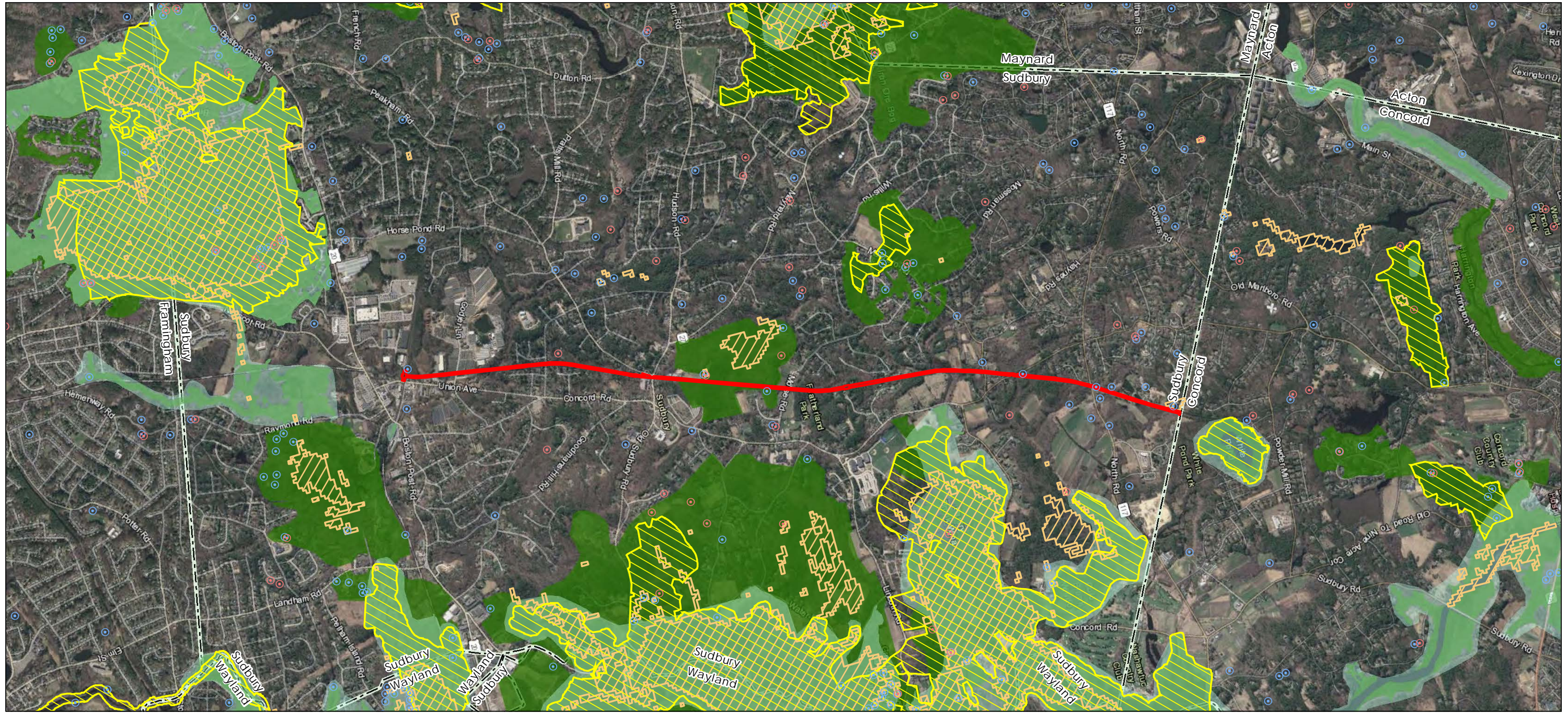
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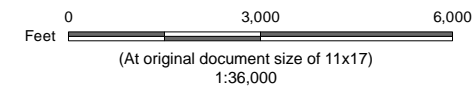
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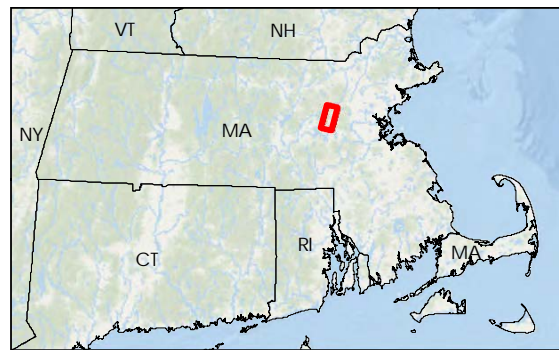
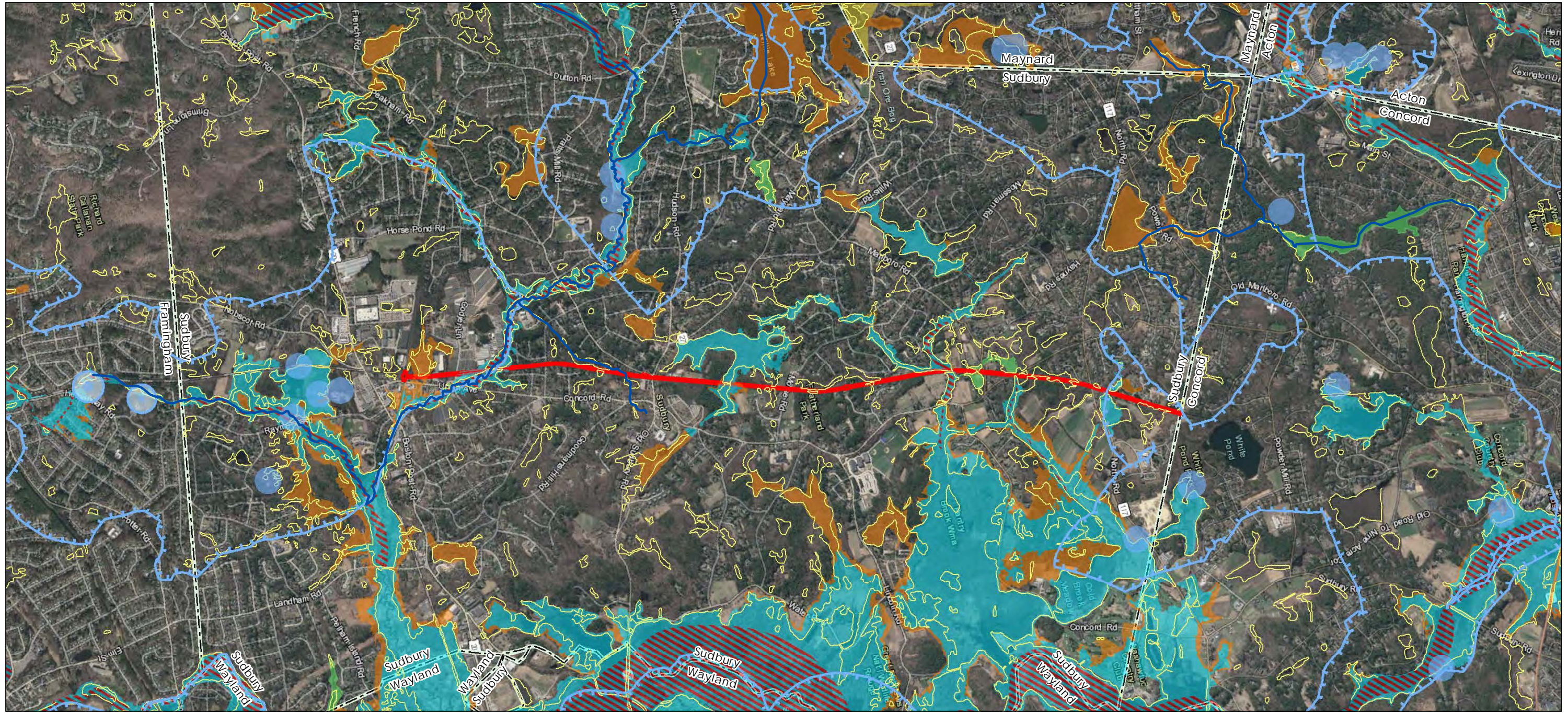
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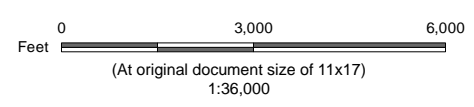
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| DFW Coldwater Fisheries Resources | Zone C |
| FEMA National Flood Hazard Layer | Wellhead Protection Area |
| A: 1% Annual Chance of Flooding, no BFE | IWPA's |
| AE: 1% Annual Chance of Flooding, with BFE | Zone Is |
| AE: Regulatory Floodway | Zone IIs |
| D: Possible But Undetermined Hazard | Town Boundary |
| X: 0.2% Annual Chance of Flooding | |



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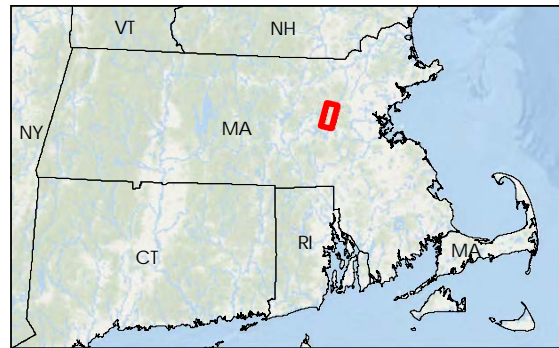
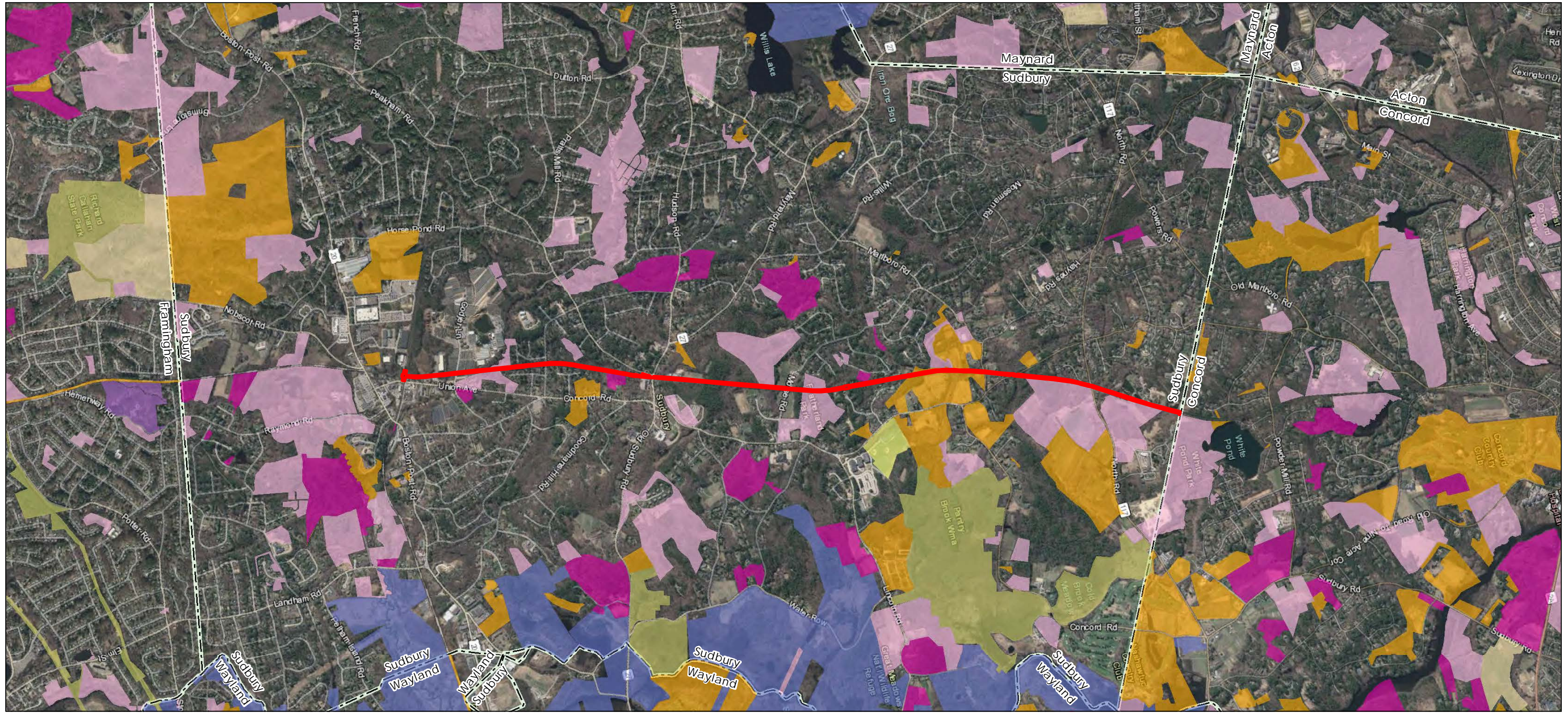
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 MassDEP Resources and FEMA National
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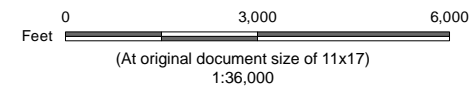
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- Legend**
- Bruce Freeman Rail Trail
 - Town Boundary
 - Protected and Recreational OpenSpace**
 - Conservation Organization
 - Federal
 - Land Trust
 - Municipal
 - Other
 - Private
 - Private Non-Profit
 - State

Notes

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MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION

PLAN AND PROFILE OF BRUCE FREEMAN RAIL TRAIL

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SUDBURY BRUCE FREEMAN RAIL TRAIL

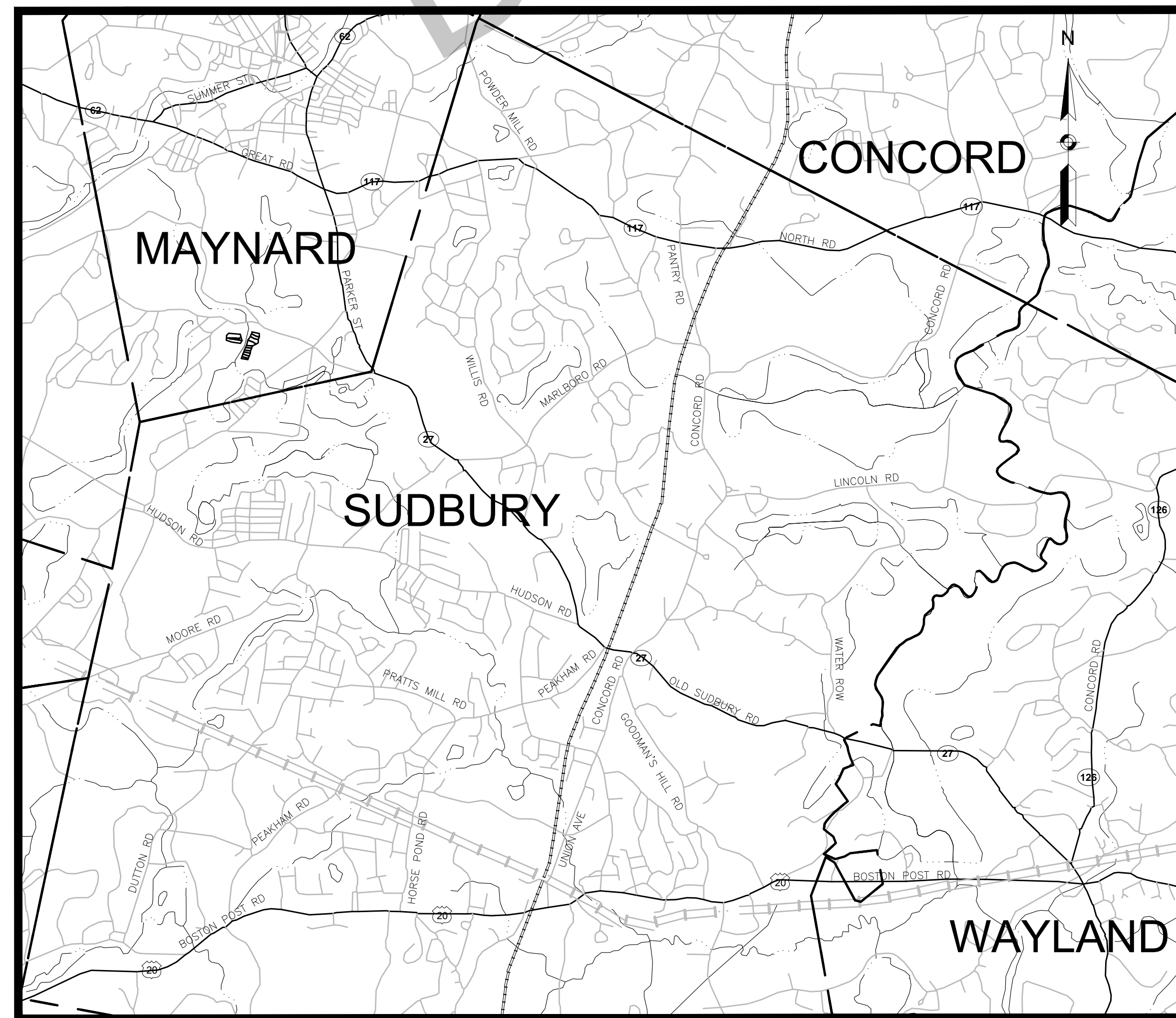
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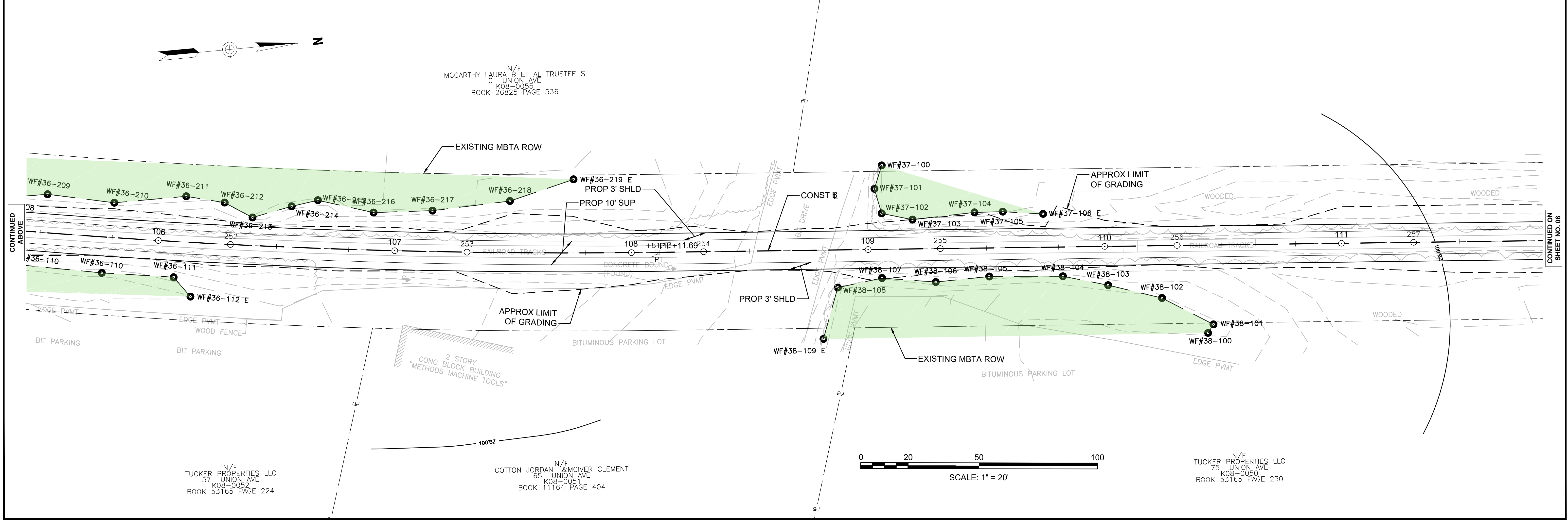
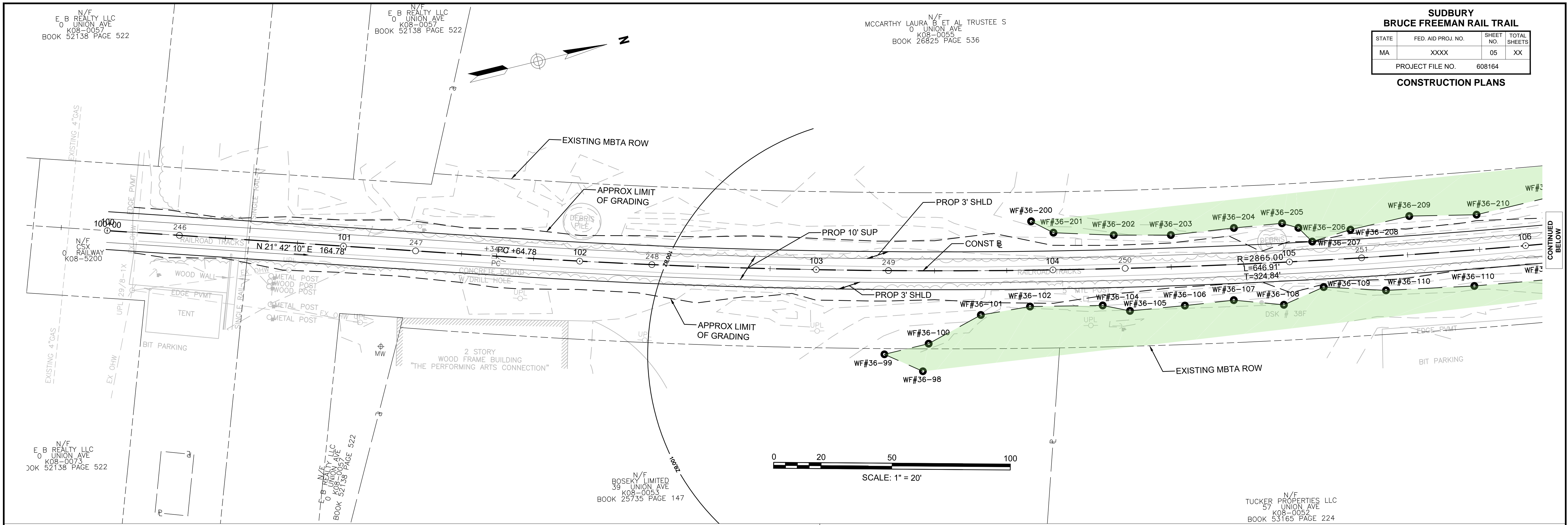
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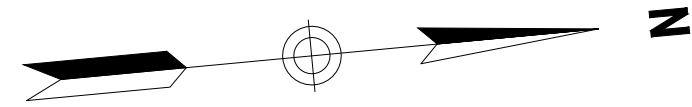
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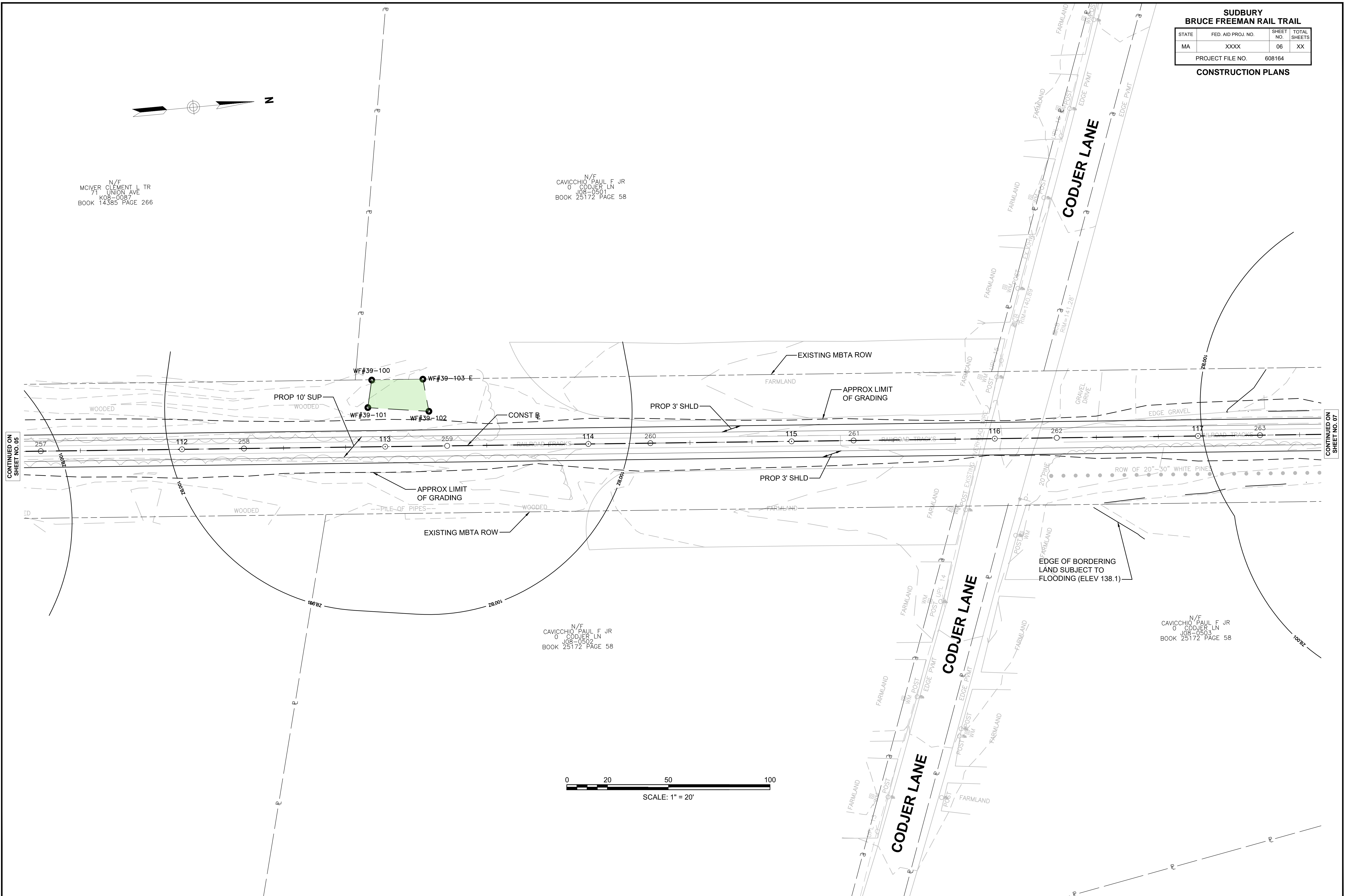
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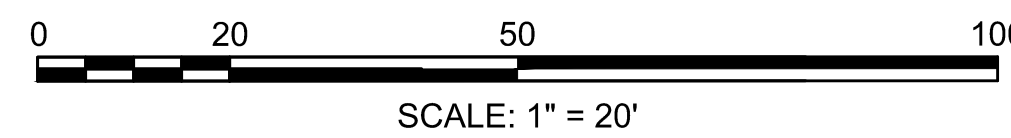


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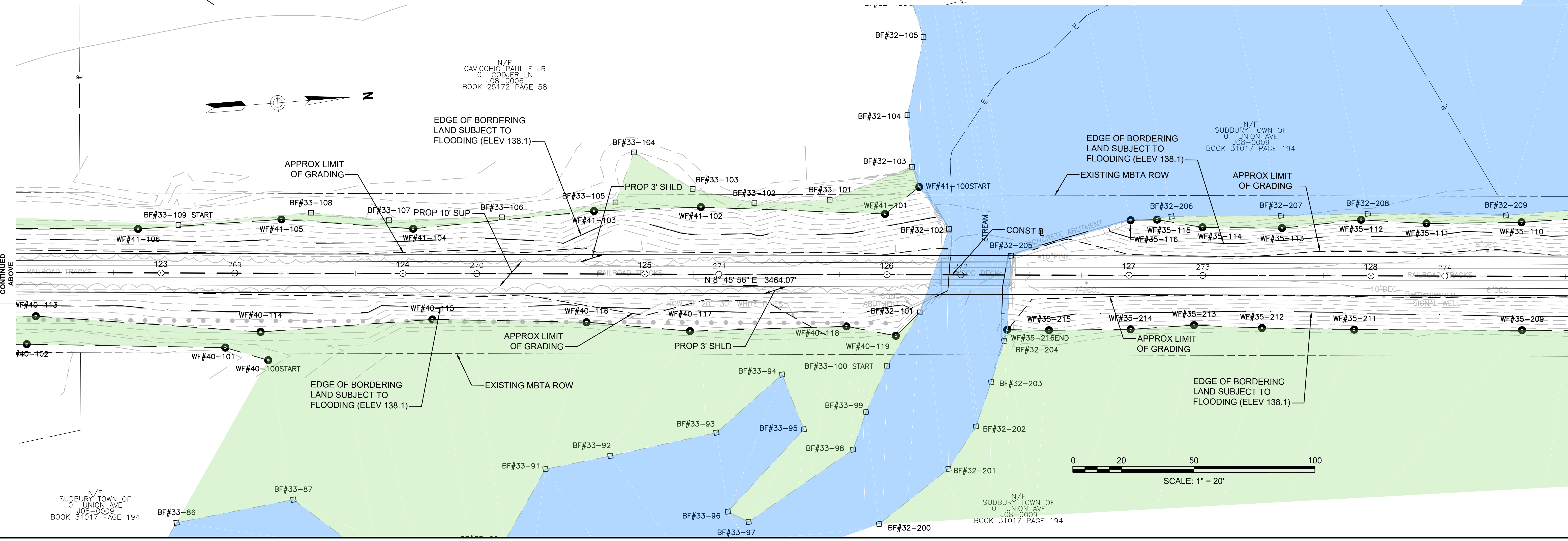
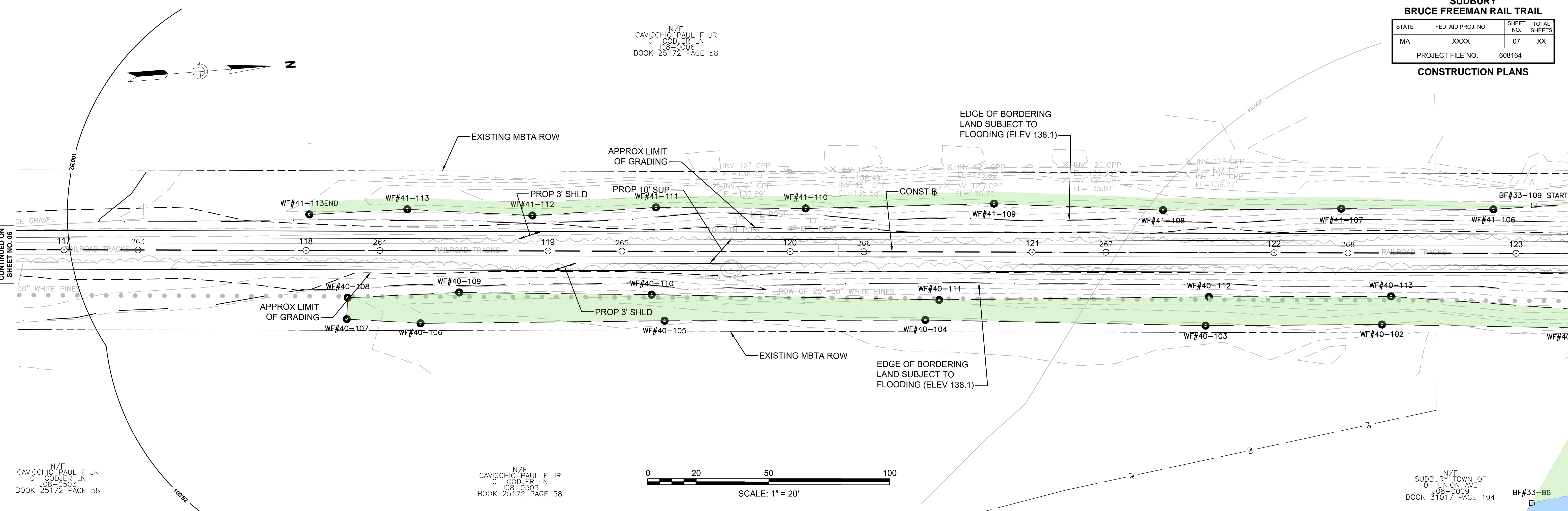
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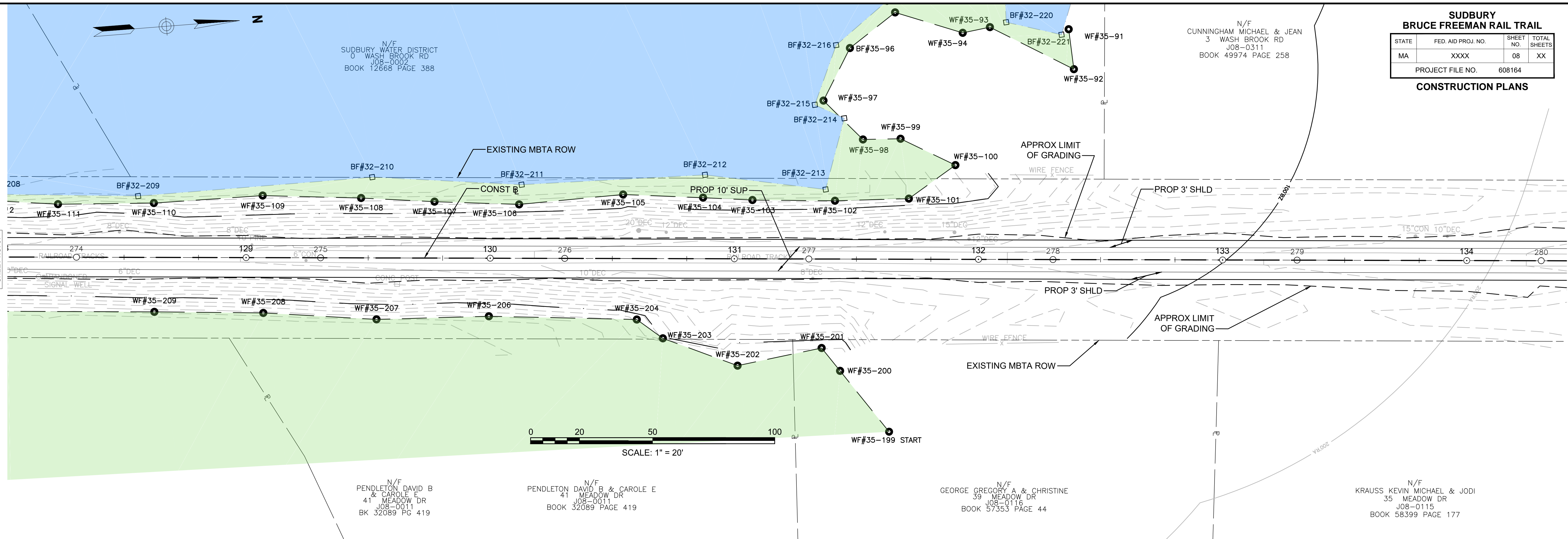
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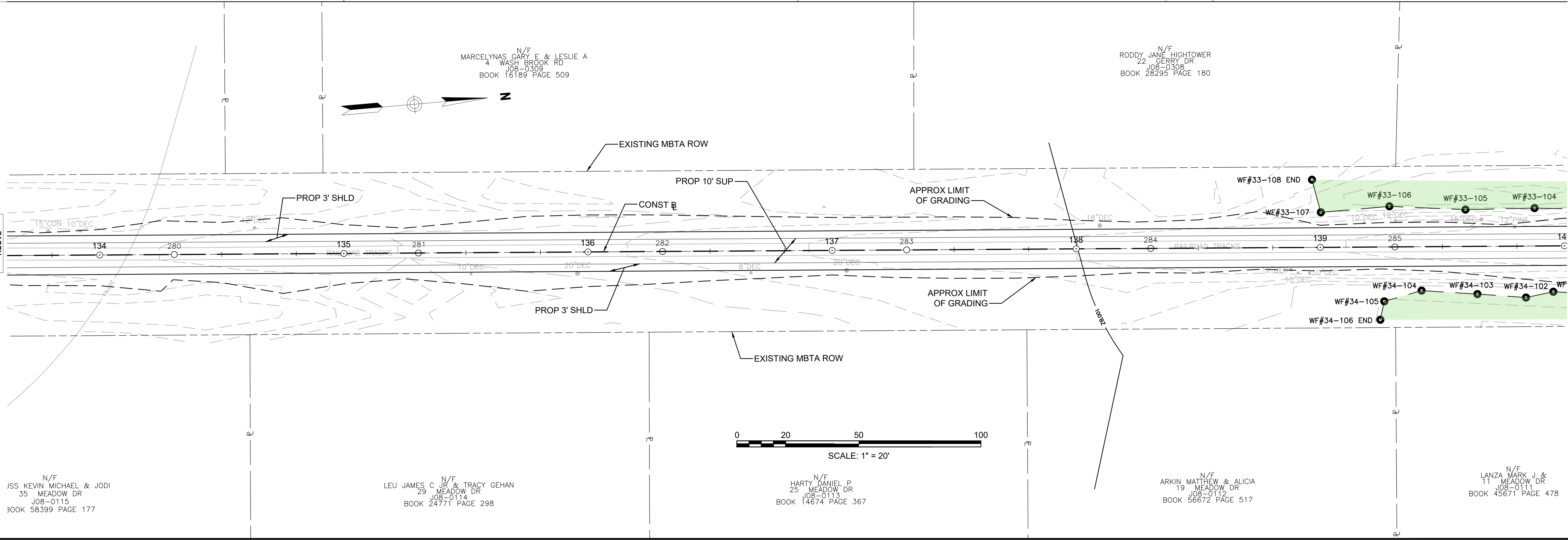
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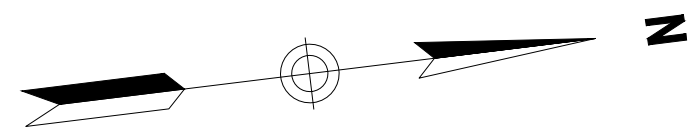
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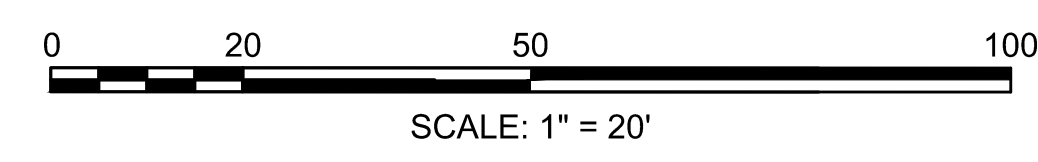
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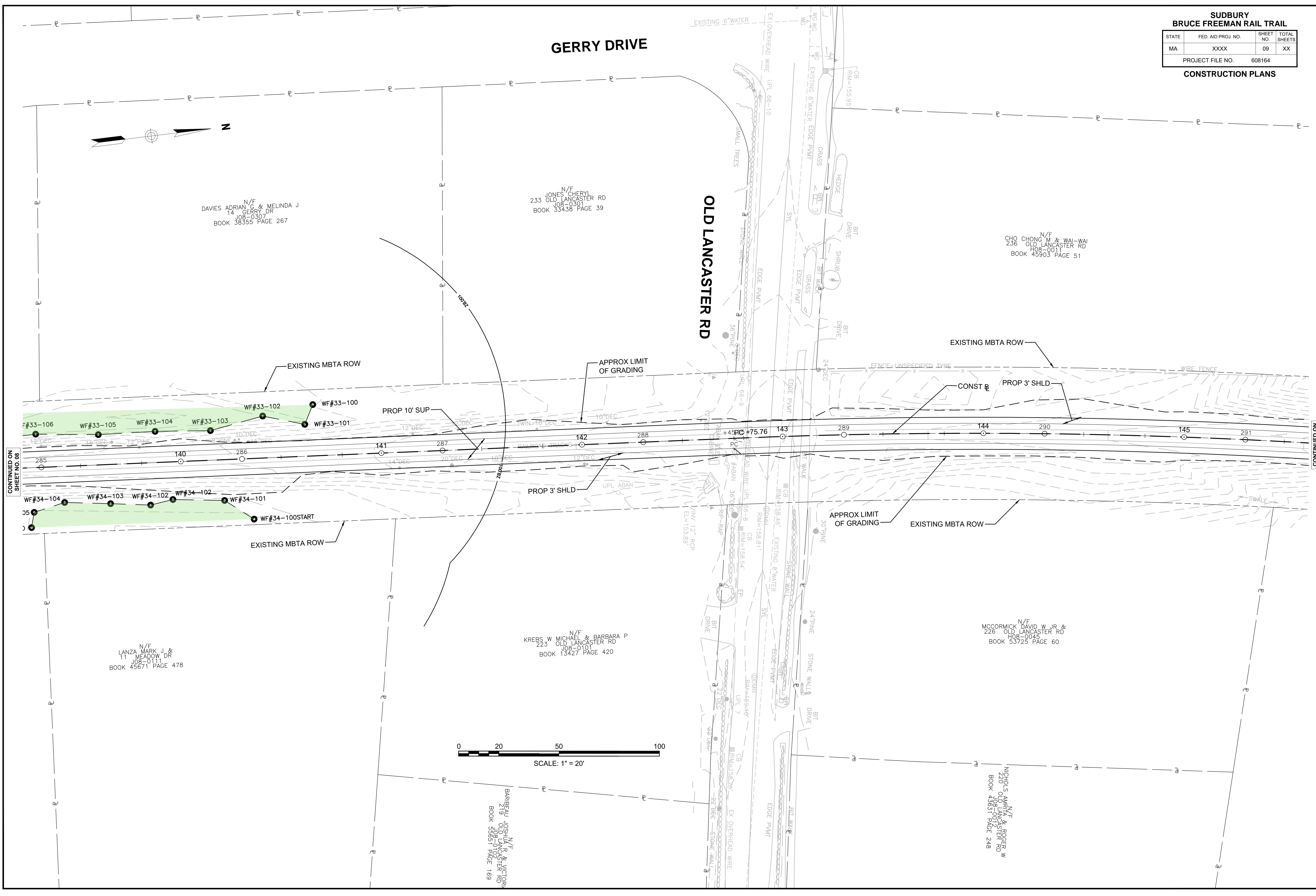
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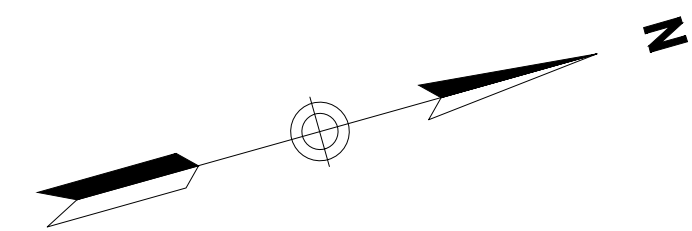
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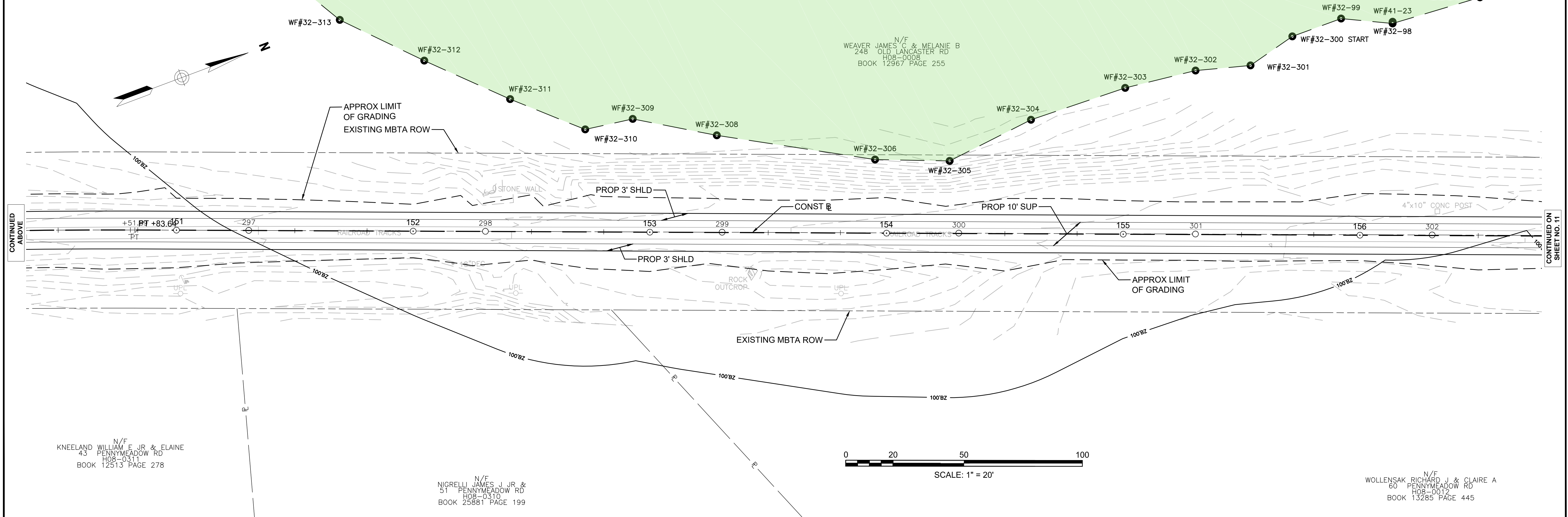
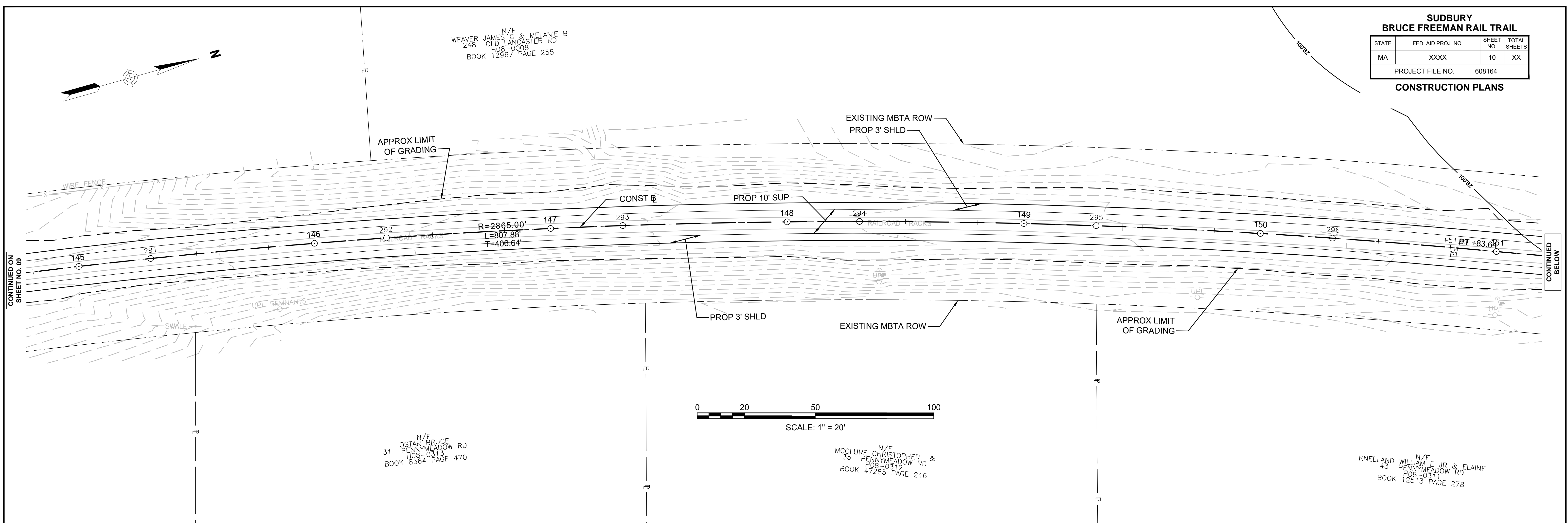
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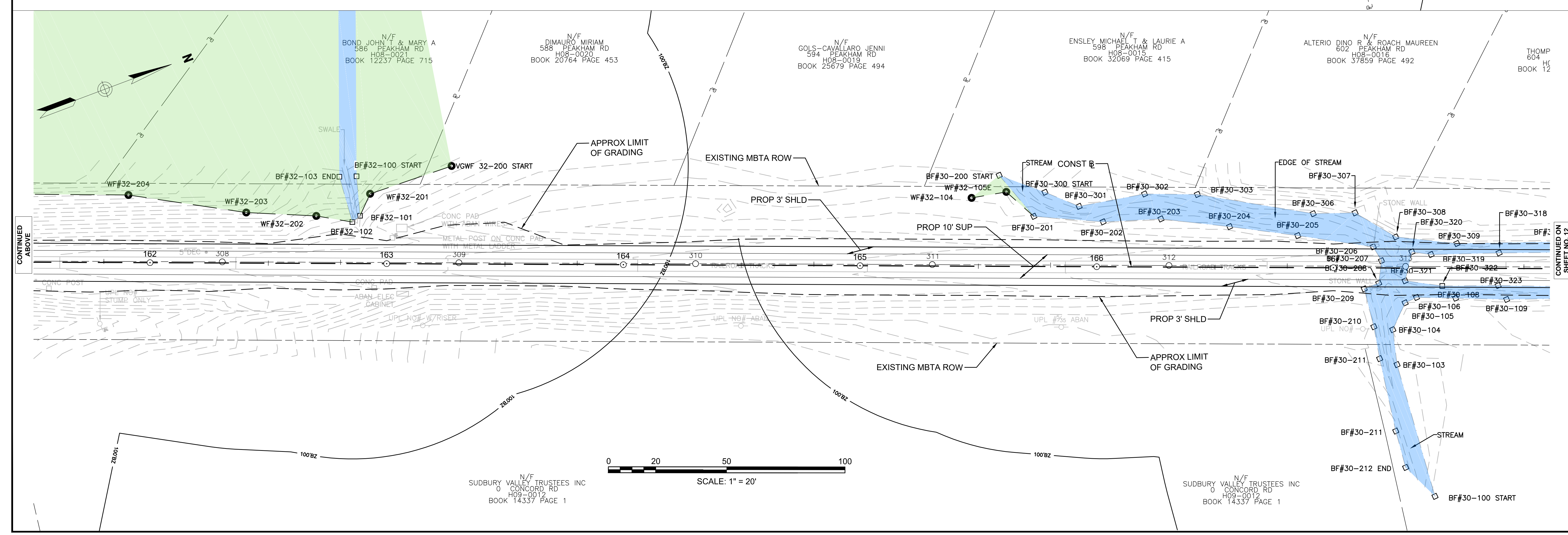
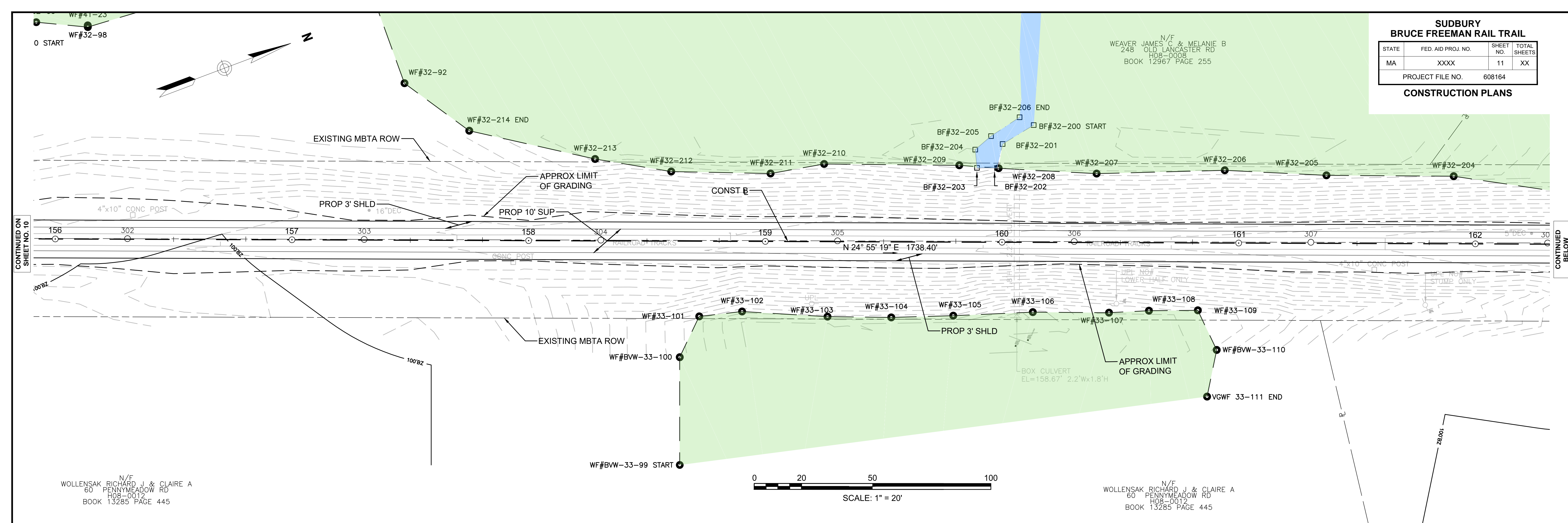
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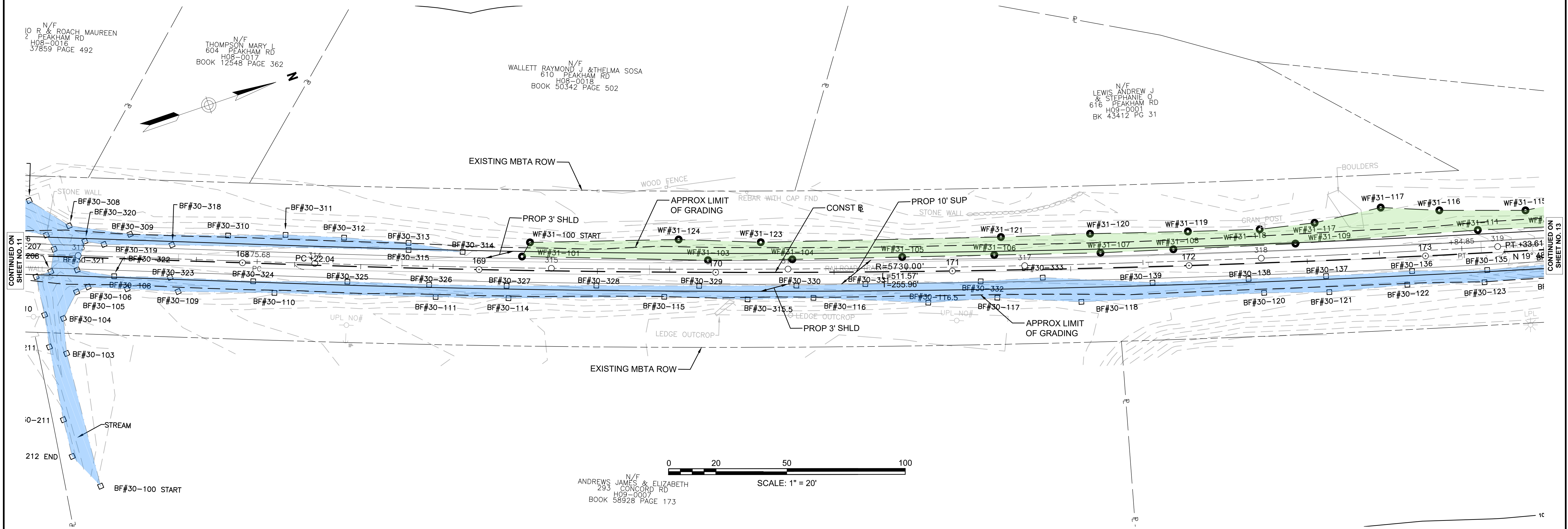
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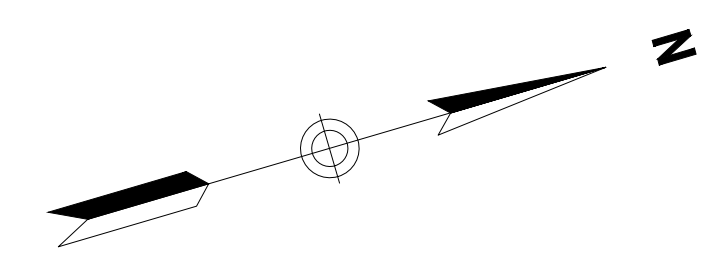
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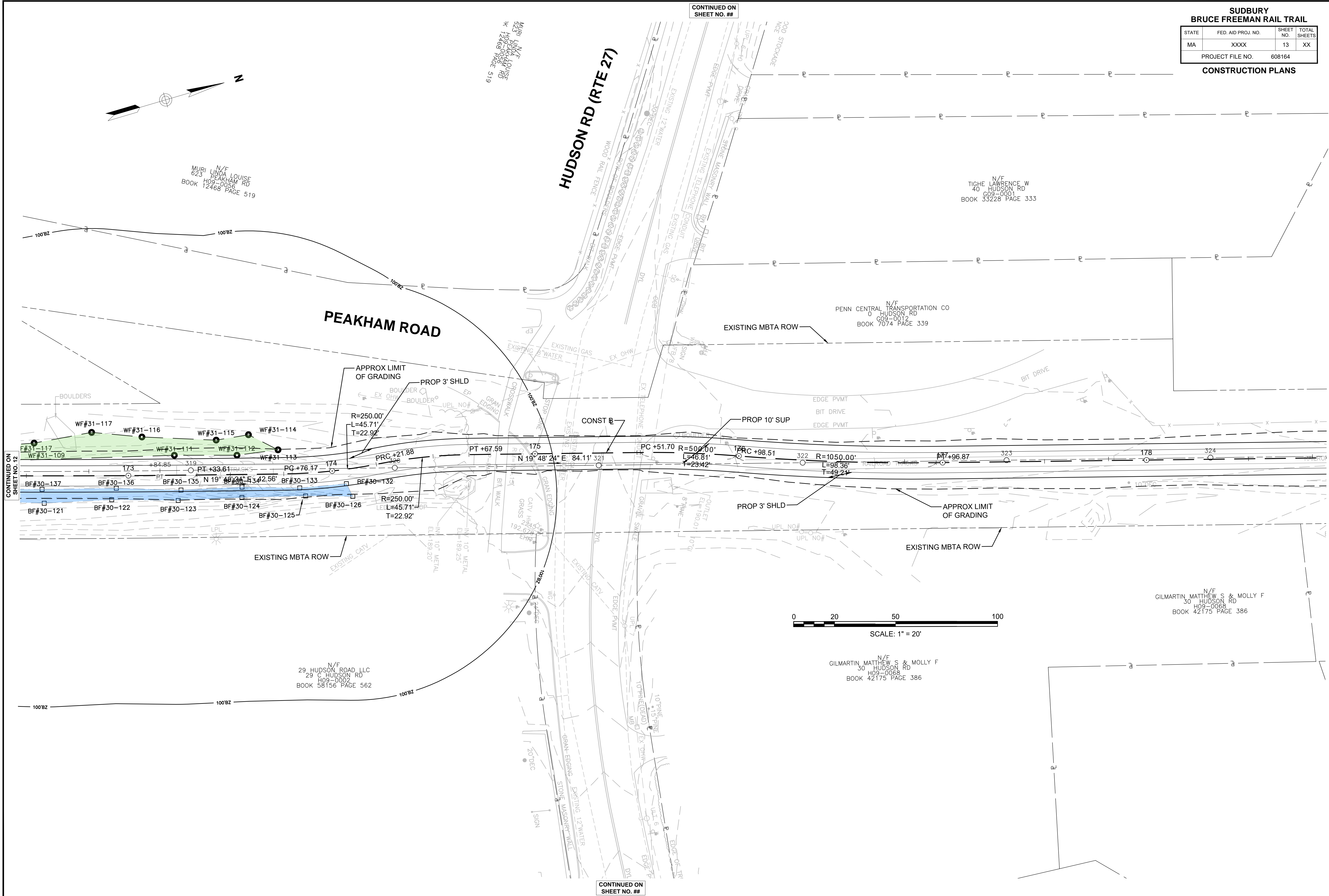


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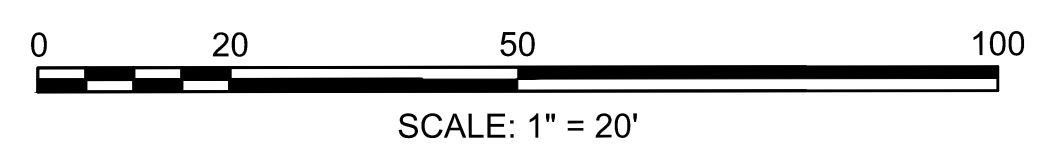
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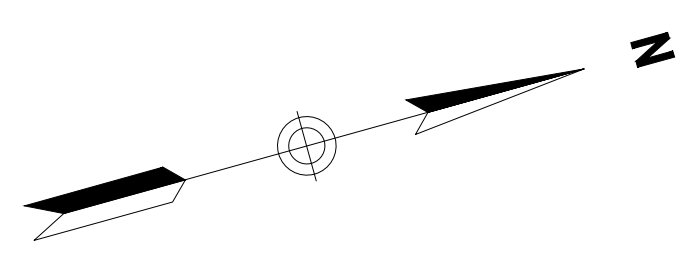
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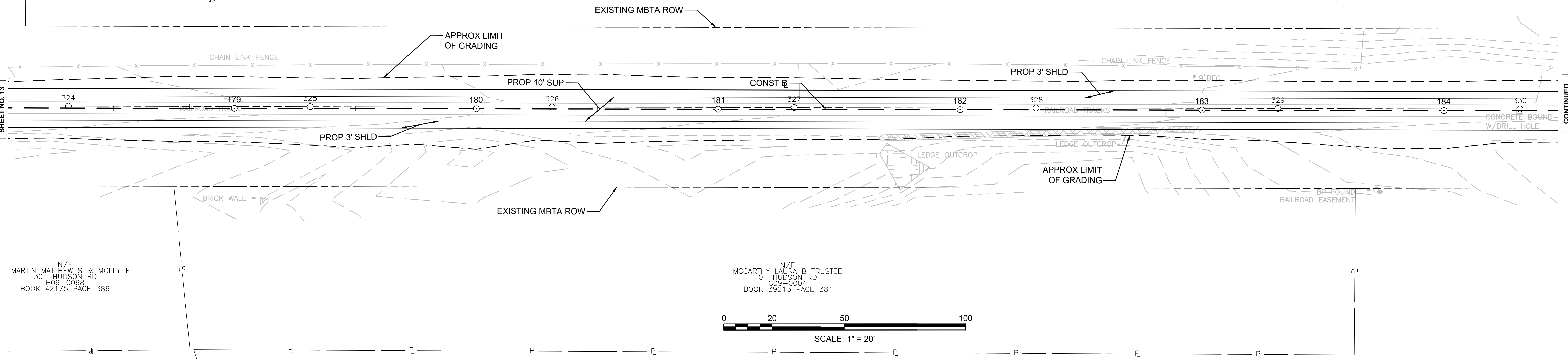
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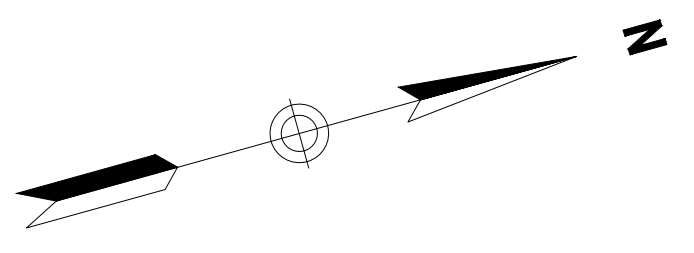


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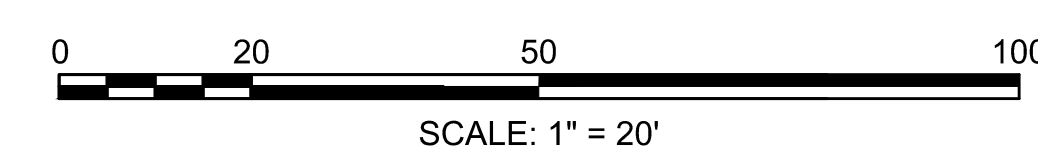
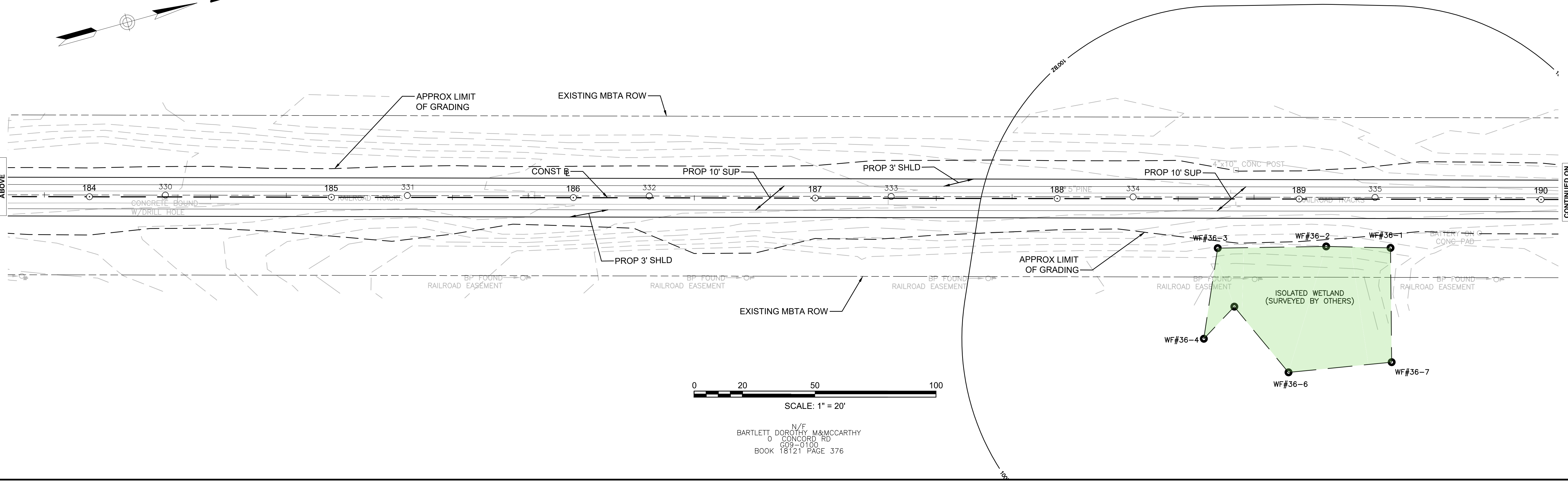


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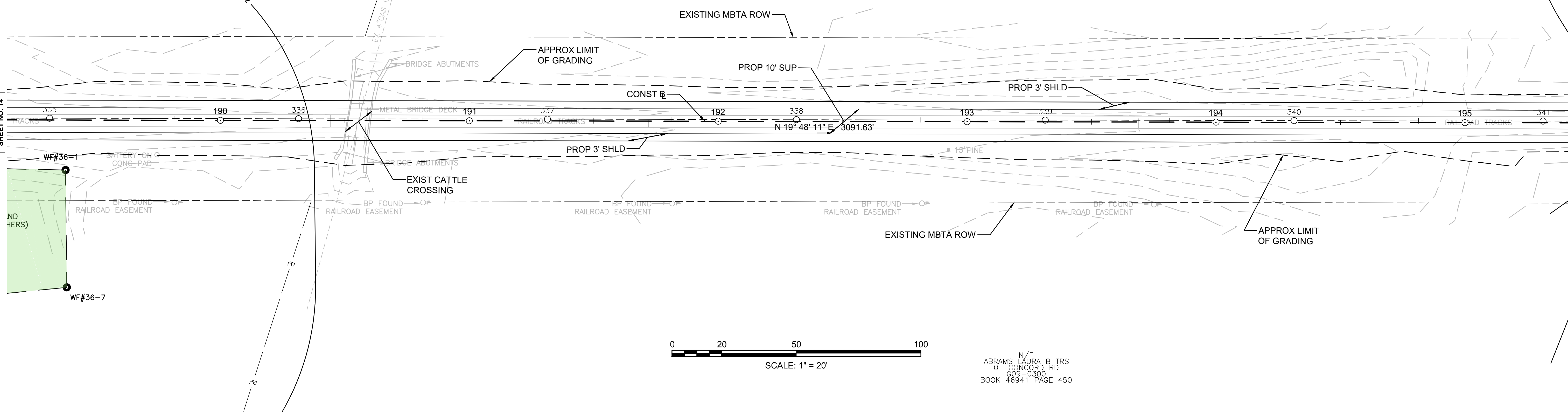
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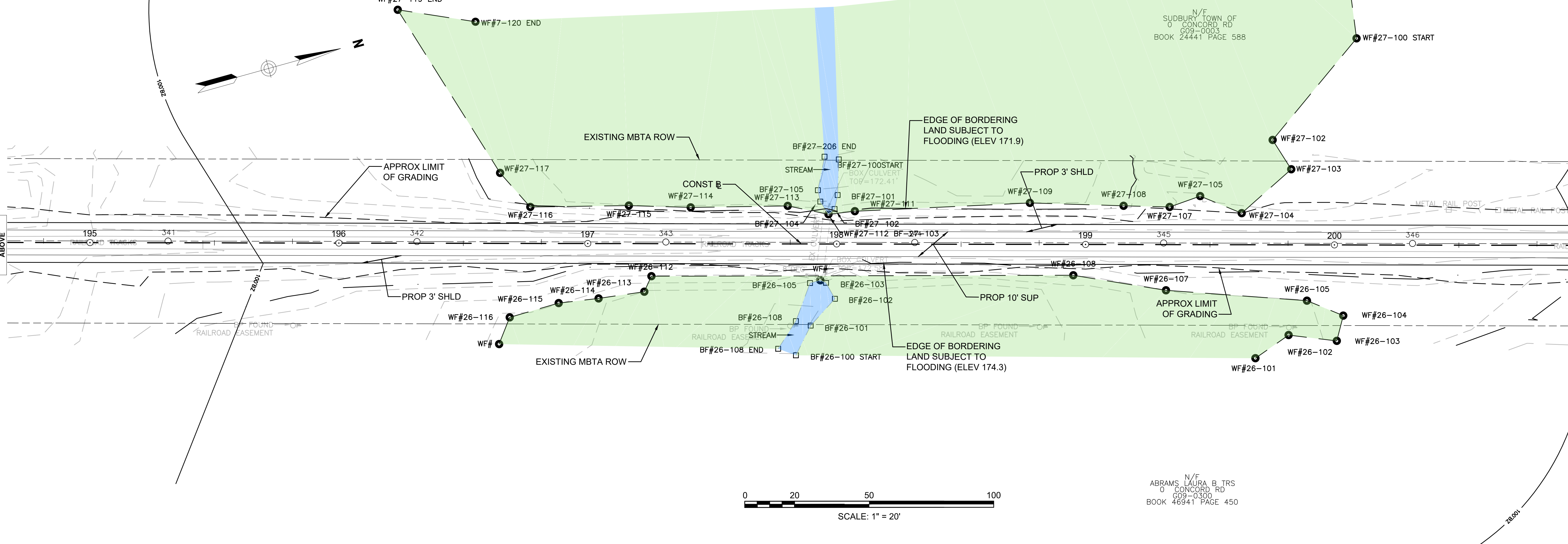
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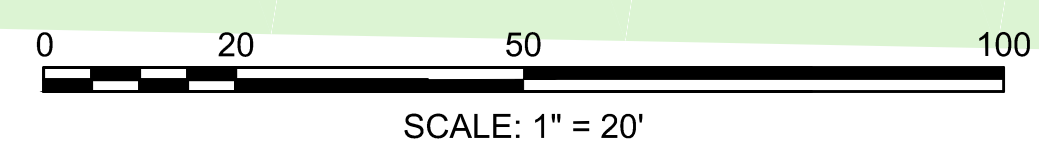
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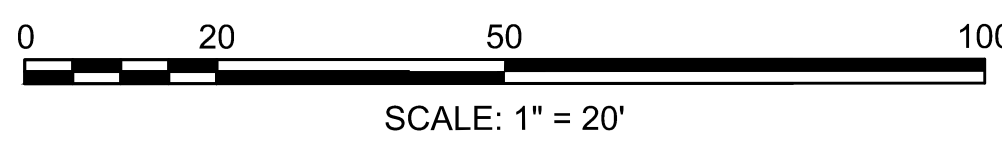
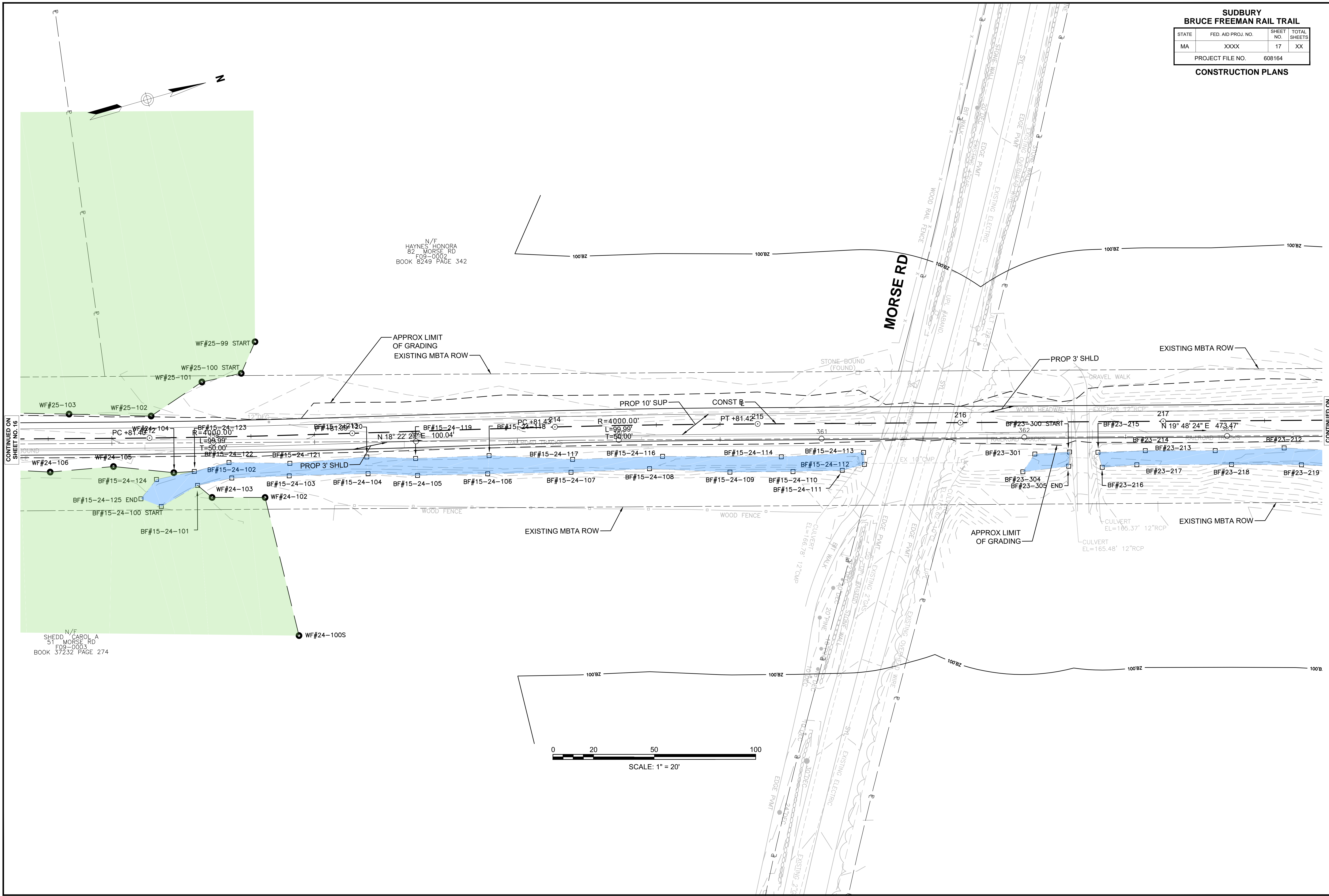


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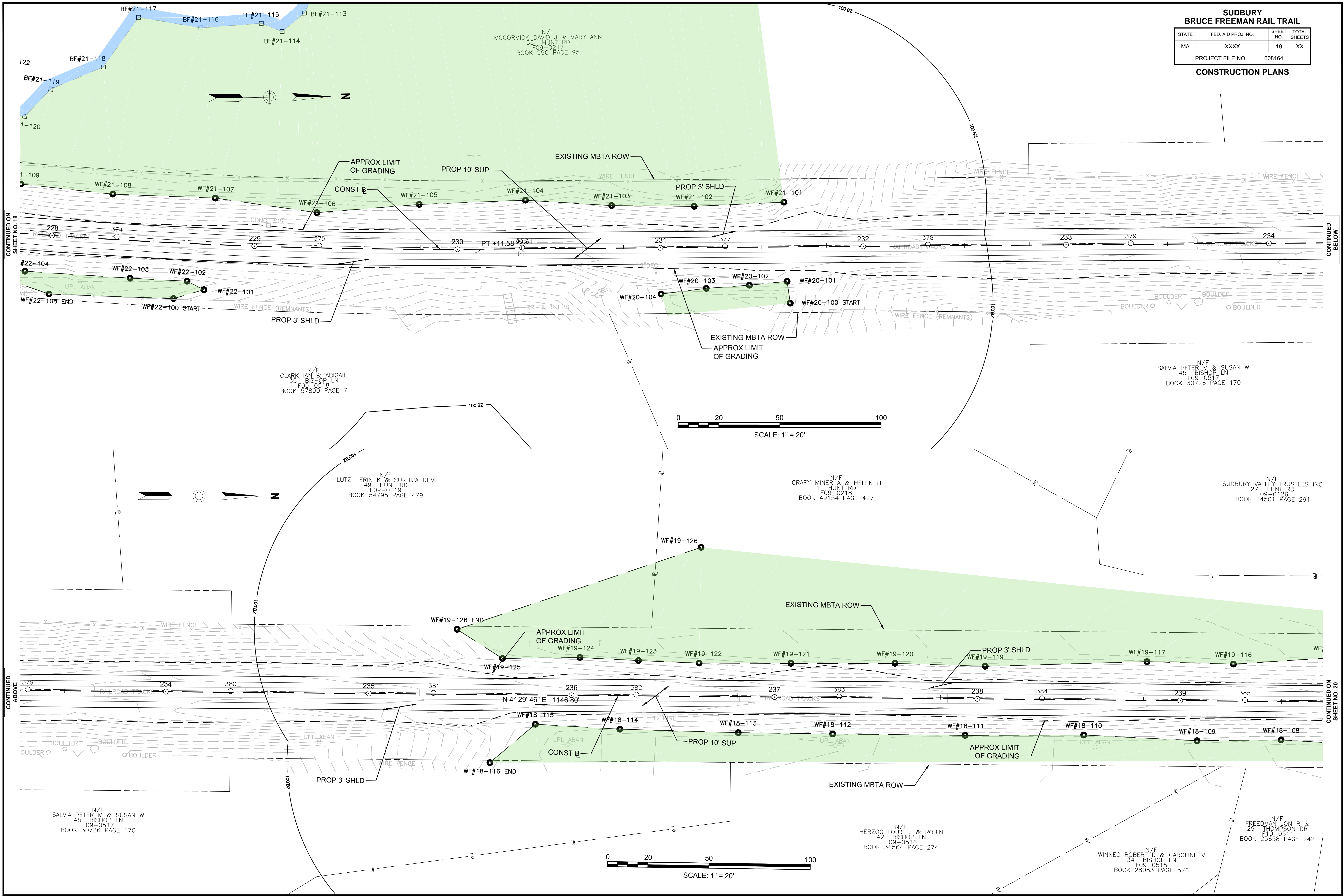
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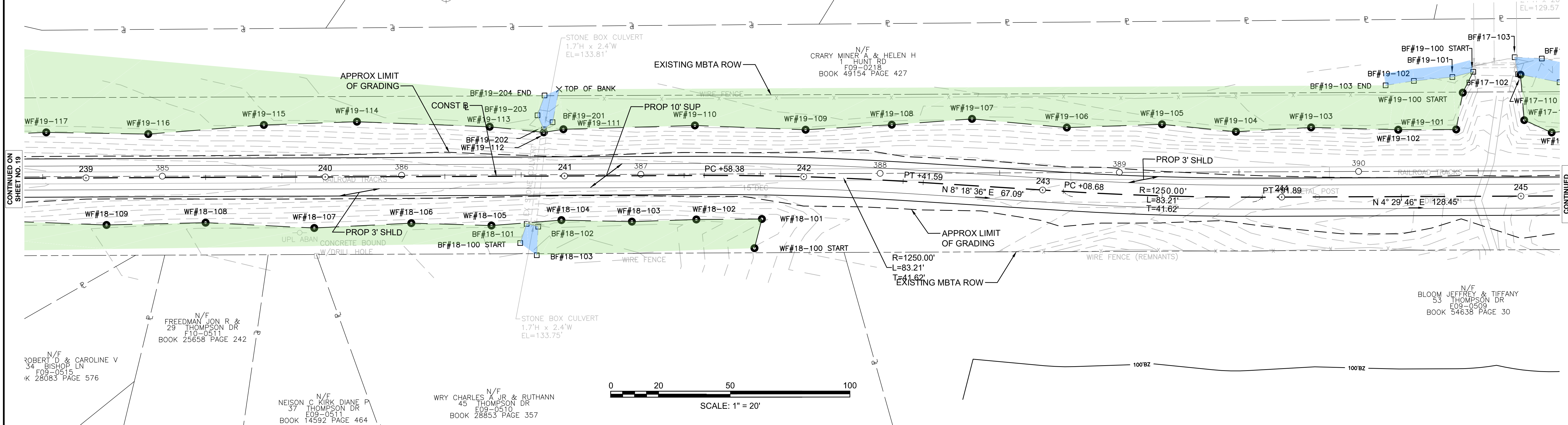
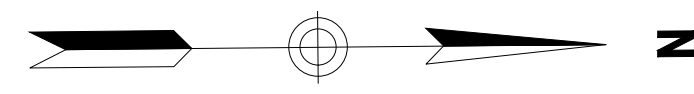
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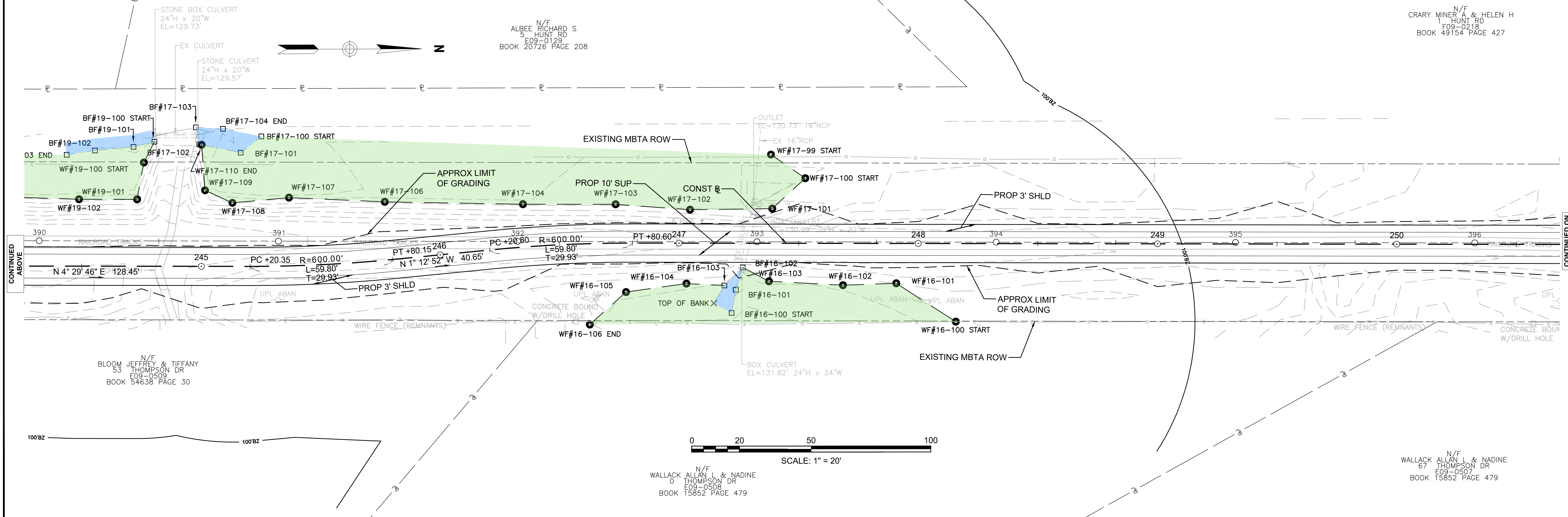
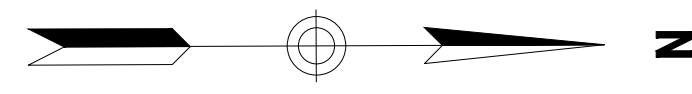
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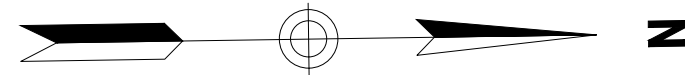
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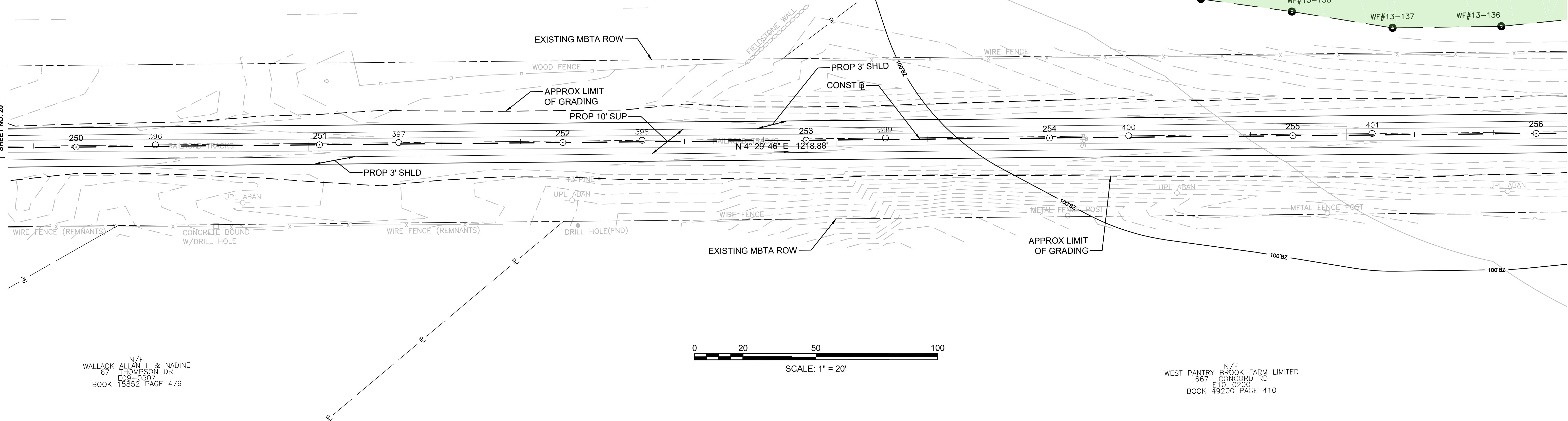
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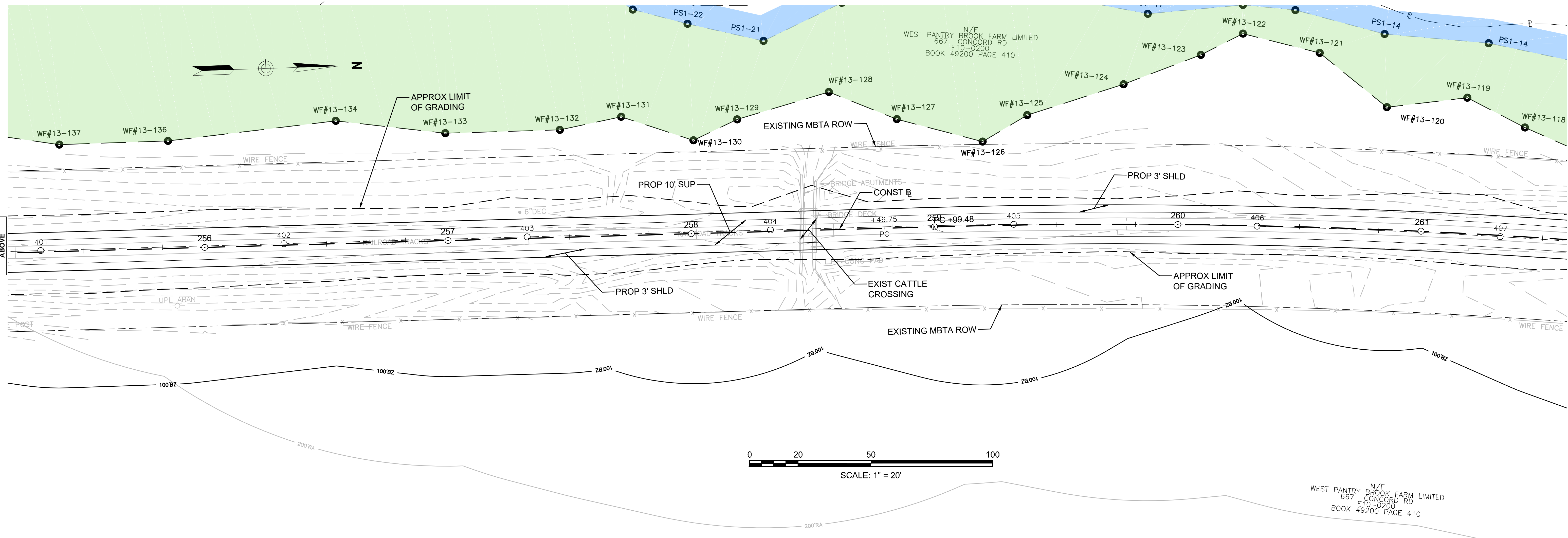
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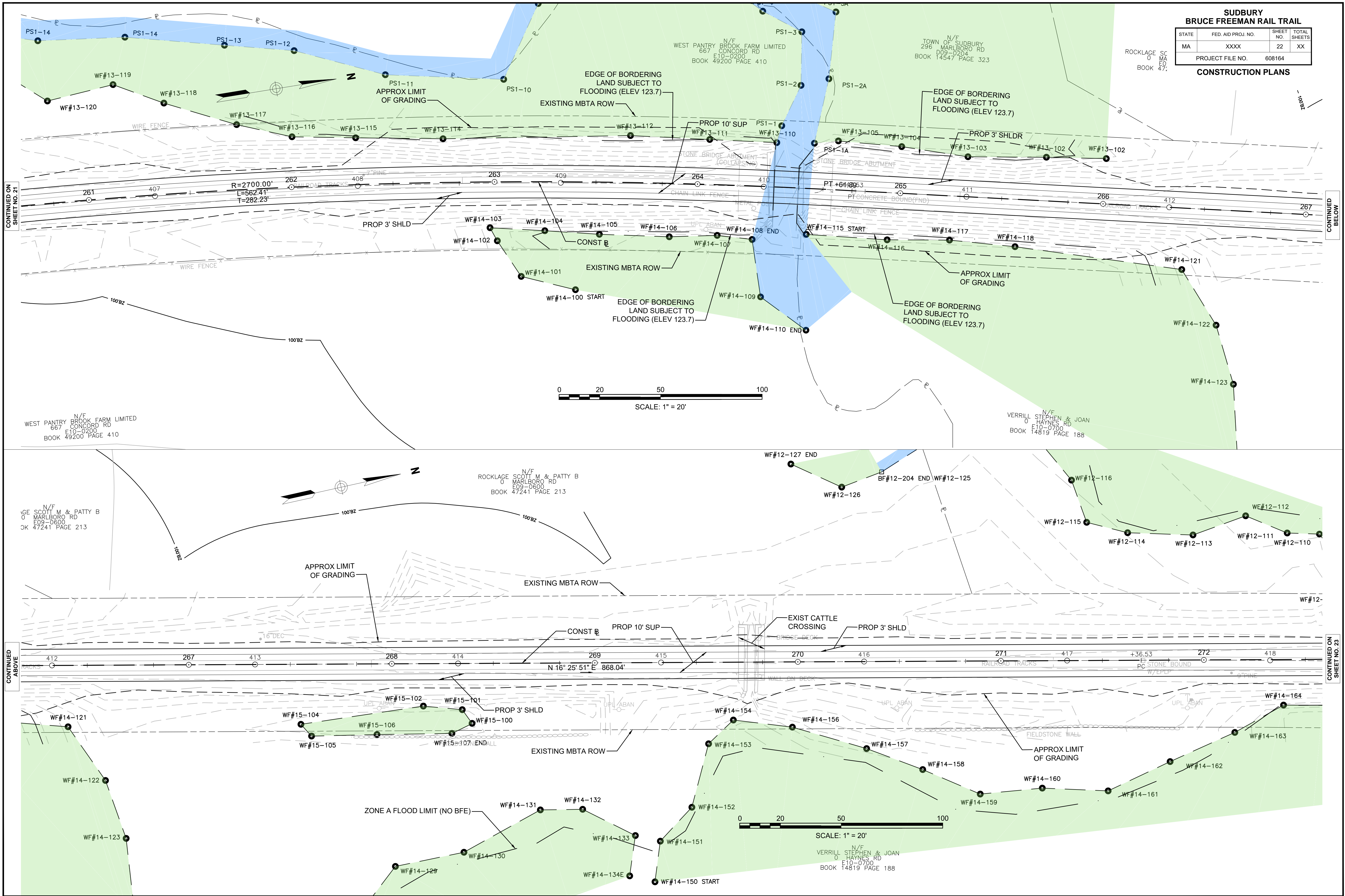
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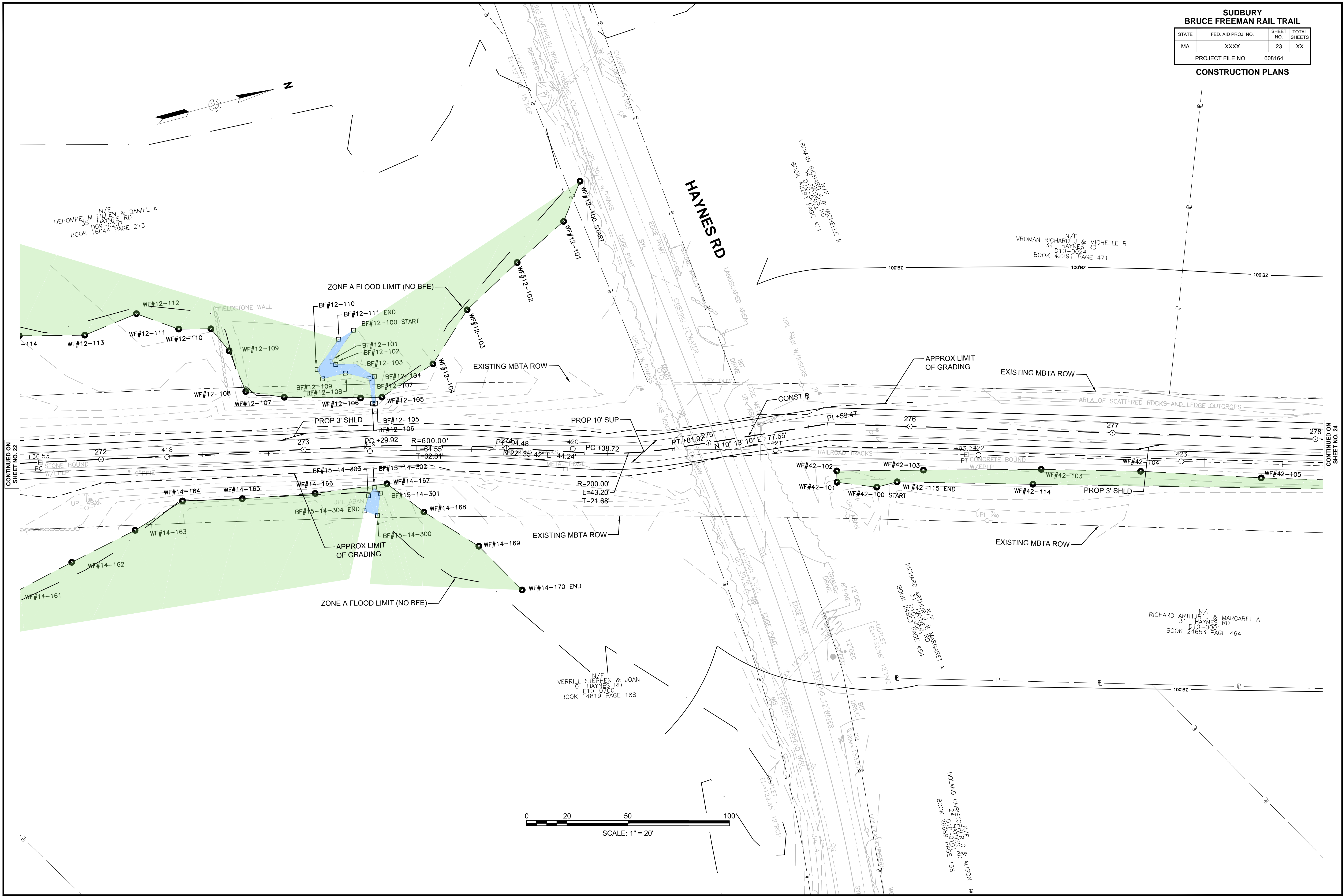
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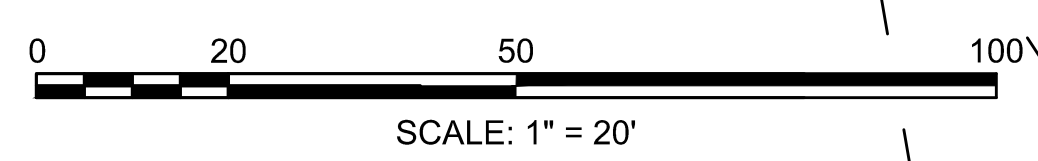
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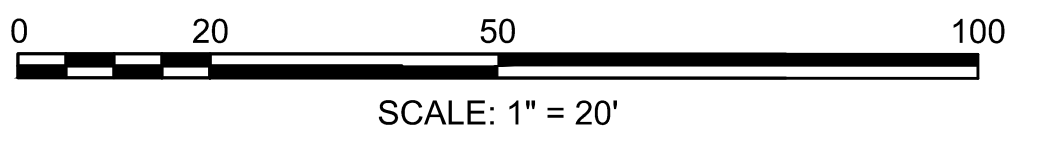
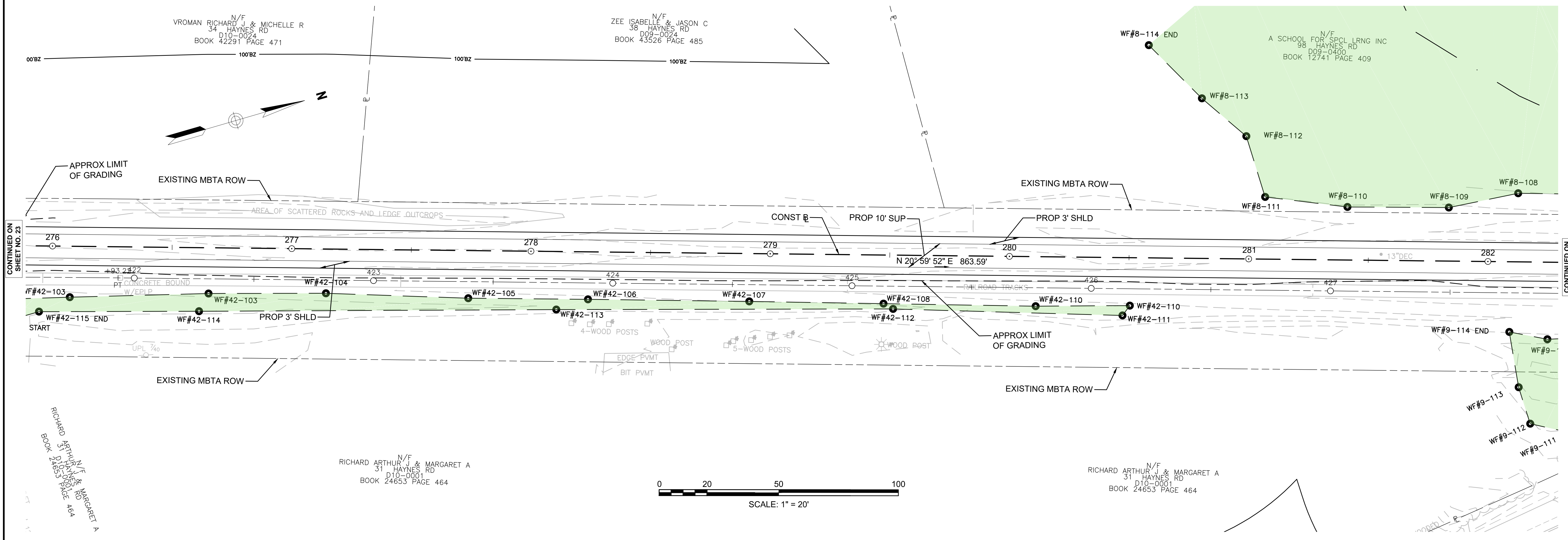
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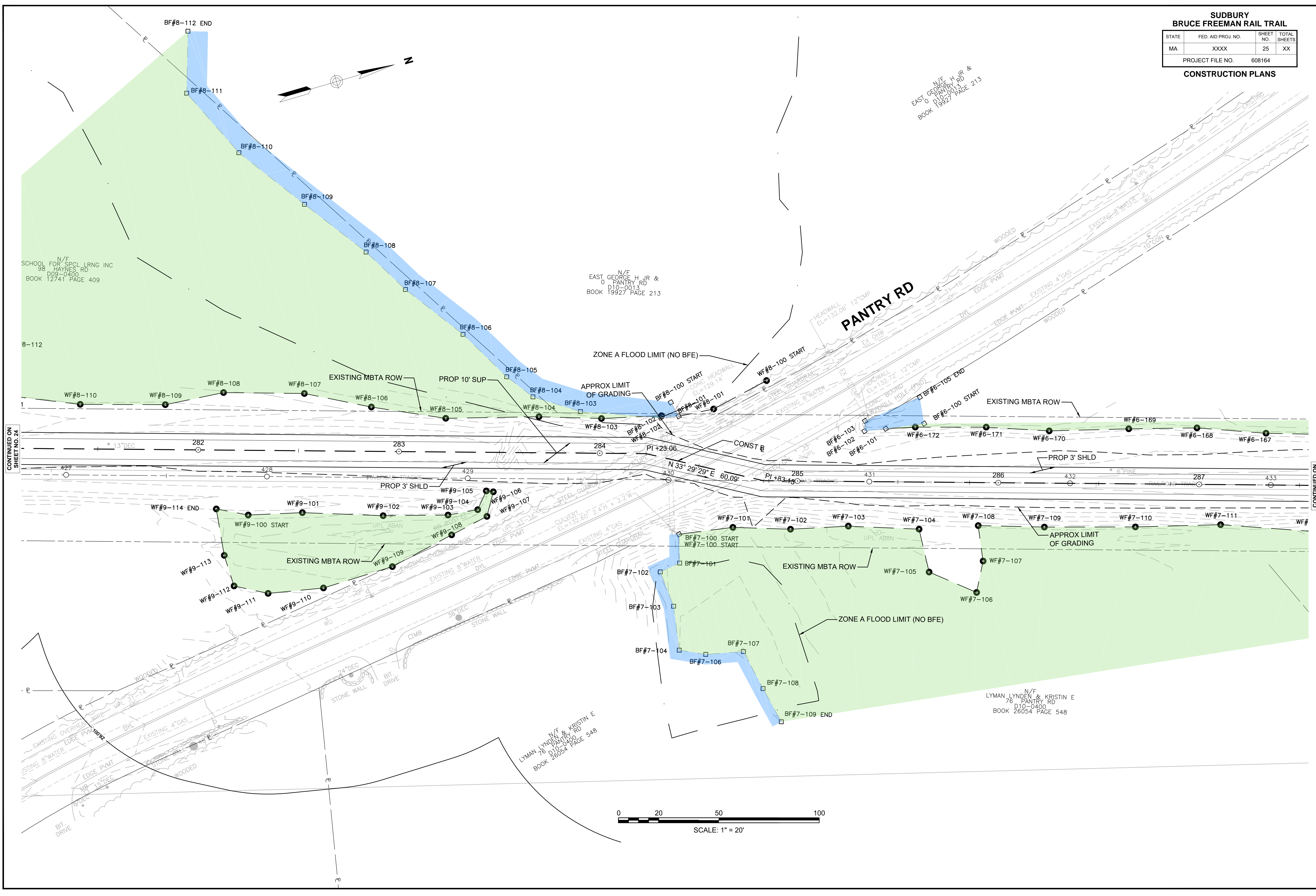
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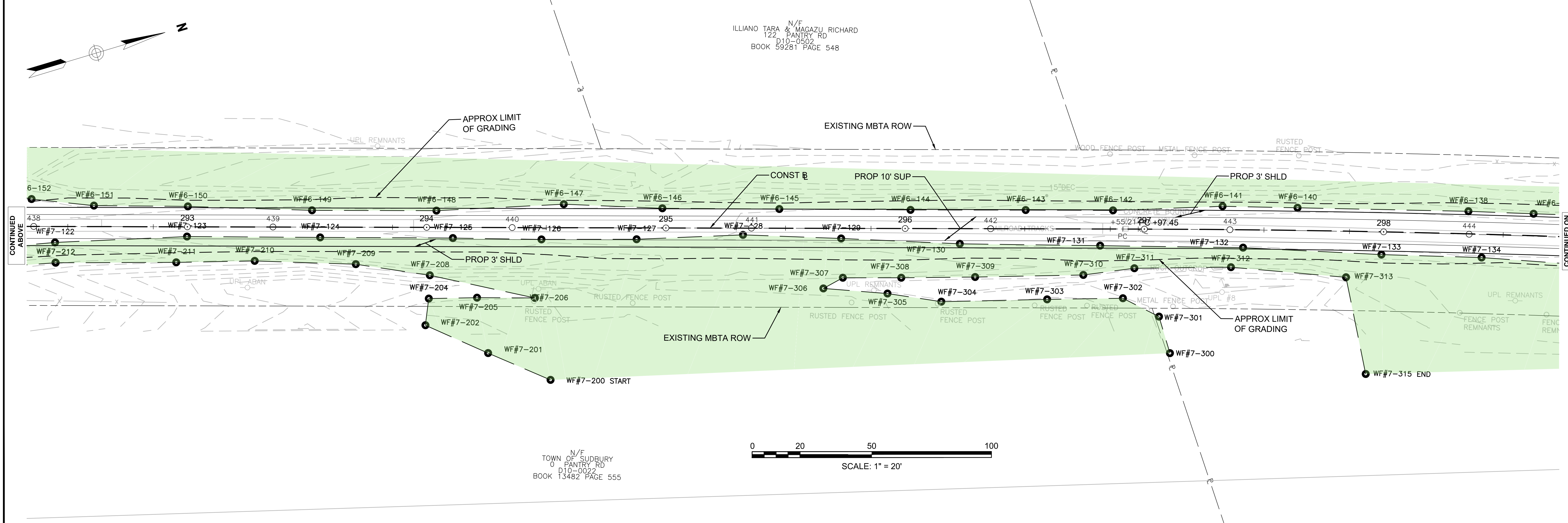
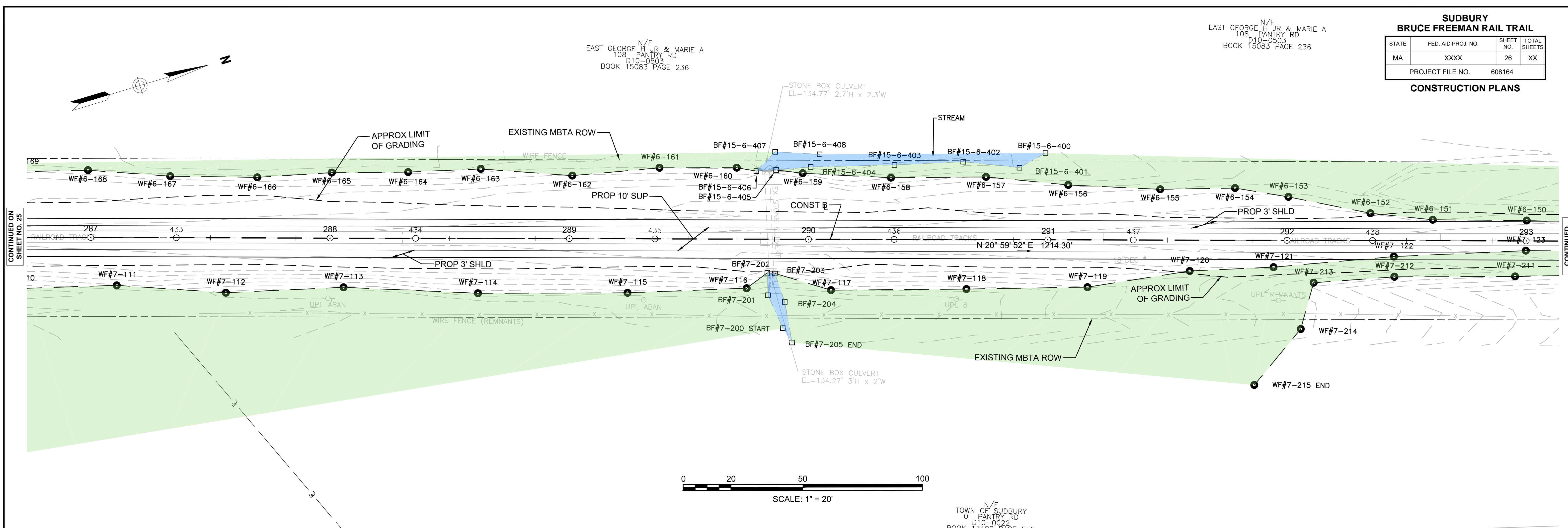


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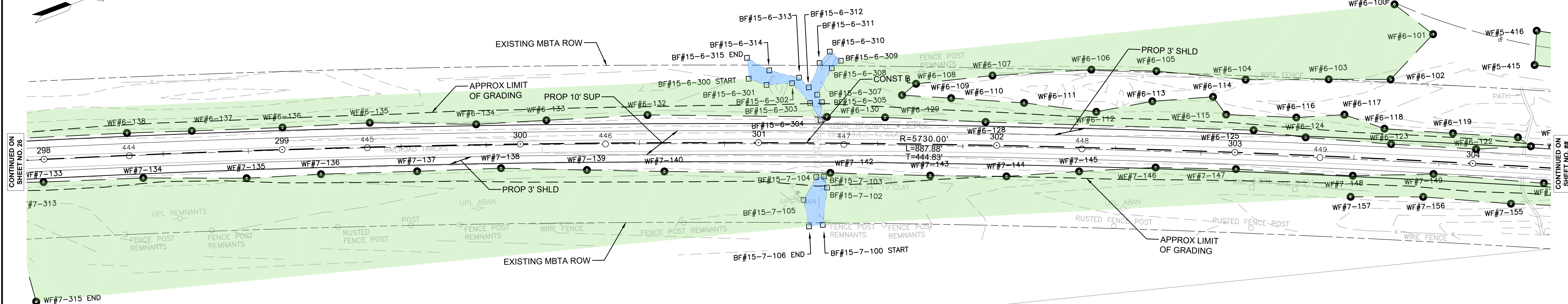
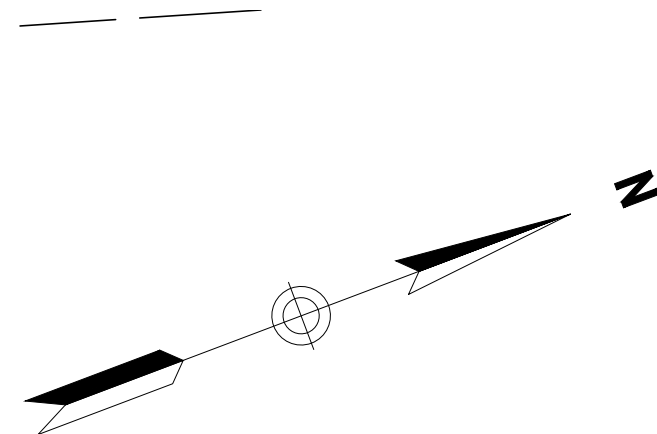
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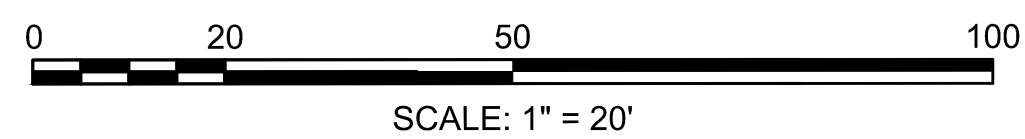
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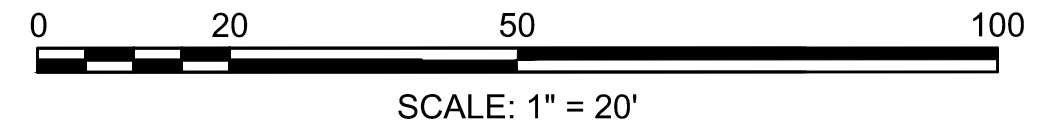
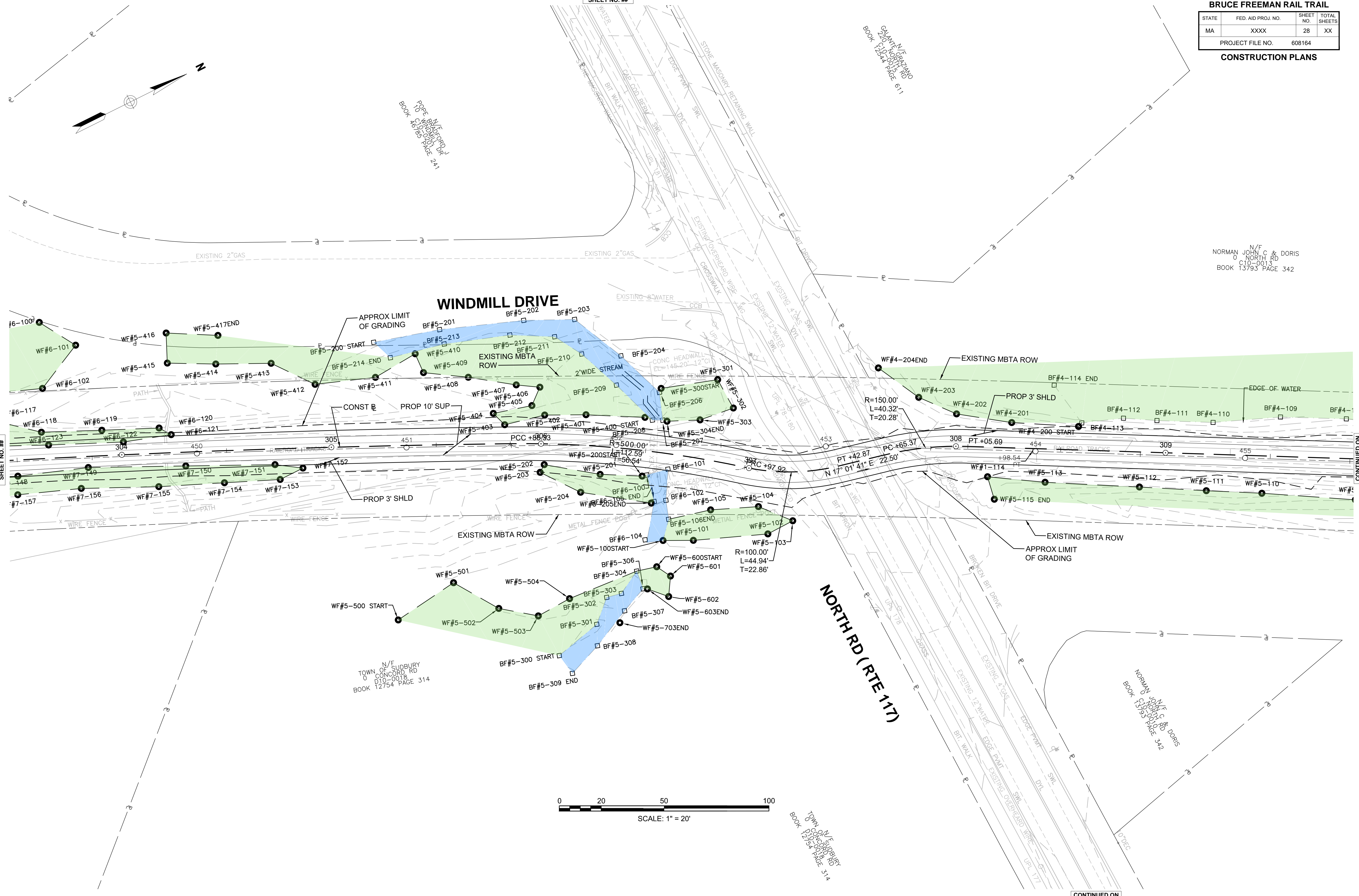
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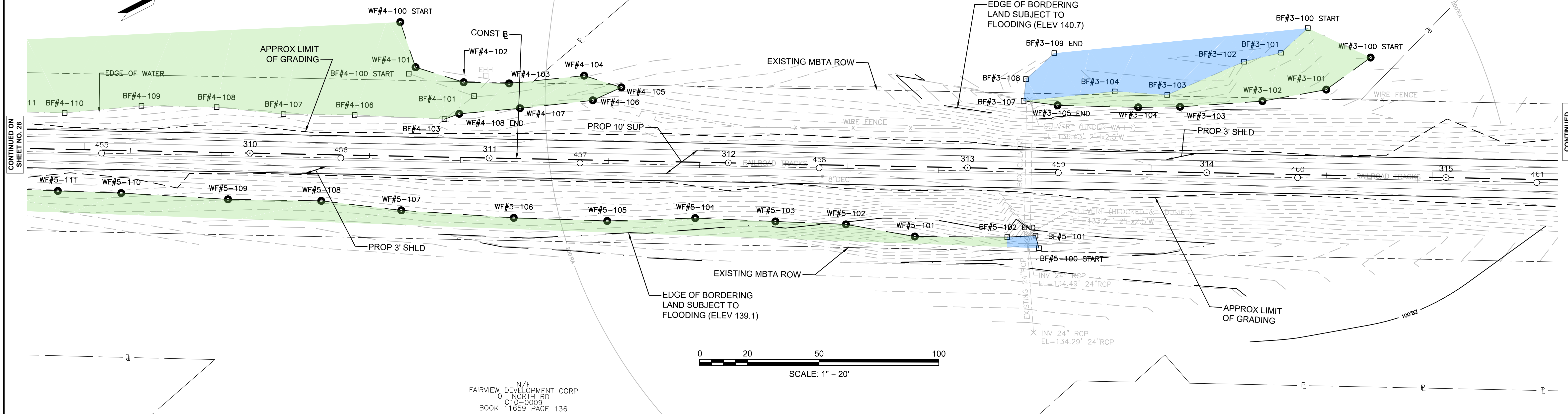
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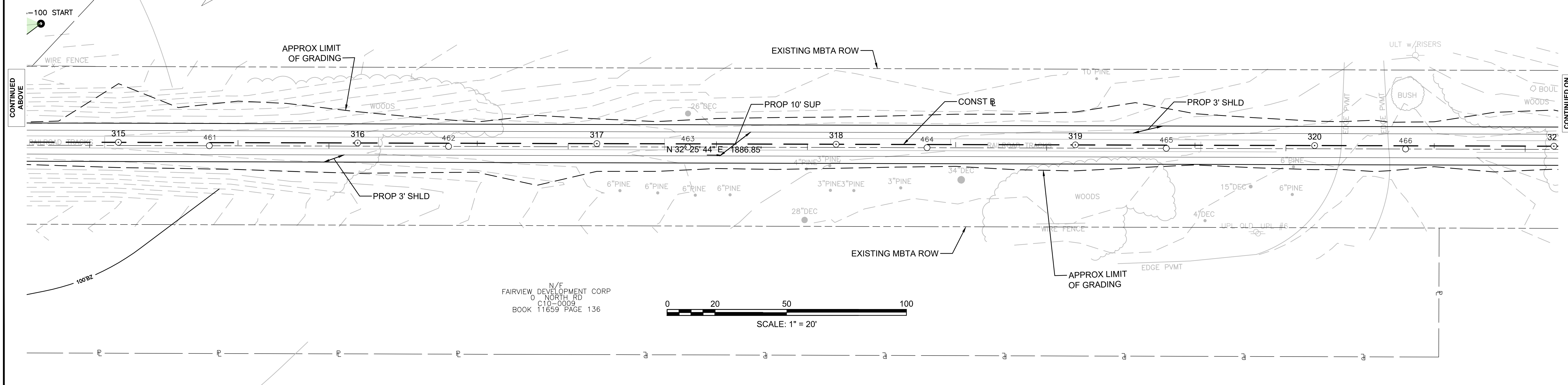


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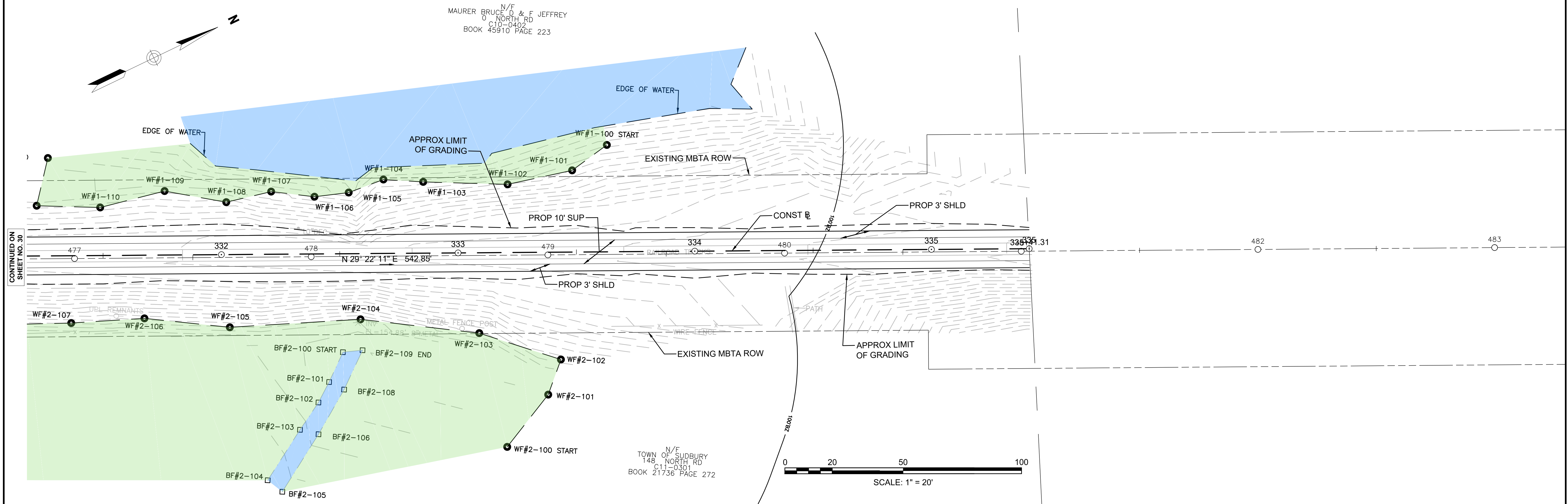
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Appendix B Preliminary Impact Tables

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Appendix B PRELIMINARY IMPACT TABLES



SUMMARY QUANTITY SHEET

FROM EARTHWORKS SHEETS:

<u>Elevation</u>	<u>Fill FLP (CY)</u>	<u>Cutting FLP (CY)</u>
173.3'-174.3'	2.93	72.77
172.3'-173.3'	0.09	0.00

TOTALS: **3.02** **CY** **72.77** **CY**

Sections with Floodplain

Sta 116+00 to Sta 132+00	No Impacts
Sta 195+00 to 201+50	Impacts
Sta 263+50 to Sta 266+00	No Impacts
Sta 311+00 to 314+50	No Impacts

EARTHWORK QUANTITY SHEET

FILL FLOOD PLAIN

Station	Length (ft)	Fill Area (sf) 173.3'-174.3'	Avg Fill Area (sf)	Fill Vol (cy)	Fill Area (sf) 172.3'-173.3'	Avg Fill Area (sf)	Fill Vol (cy)		
195+00		0.00			0.00				
195+50	50	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
196+00	50	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
196+50	50	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
197+00	50	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
197+50	50	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
198+00	50	0.23	0.1	0.21	0.00	0.0	0.00		
198+50	50	0.11	0.2	0.31	0.00	0.0	0.00		
199+00	50	0.06	0.1	0.16	0.00	0.0	0.00		
199+50	50	0.00	0.0	0.06	0.00	0.0	0.00		
200+00	50	1.08	0.5	1.00	0.05	0.0	0.05		
200+50	50	0.02	0.6	1.02	0.00	0.0	0.05		
201+00	50	0.00	0.0	0.02	0.00	0.0	0.00		
201+50	50	0.16	0.1	0.15	0.00	0.0	0.00		
TOTAL:				2.93	TOTAL:				0.09

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EARTHWORK QUANTITY SHEET

CUT FLOOD PLAIN

Station	Length (ft)	Cut Area (sf) 173.3'-174.3'	Avg Cut Area (sf)	Cut Vol (cy)	Cut Area (sf) 172.3'-173.3'	Avg Cut Area (sf)	Cut Vol (cy)		
195+00		0.00			0.00				
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196+00	50	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
196+50	50	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
197+00	50	5.99	3.0	5.55	0.00	0.0	0.00		
197+50	50	7.52	6.8	12.51	0.00	0.0	0.00		
198+00	50	7.62	7.6	14.02	0.00	0.0	0.00		
198+50	50	6.76	7.2	13.31	0.00	0.0	0.00		
199+00	50	6.44	6.6	12.22	0.00	0.0	0.00		
199+50	50	4.36	5.4	10.00	0.00	0.0	0.00		
200+00	50	0.00	2.2	4.04	0.00	0.0	0.00		
200+50	50	0.36	0.2	0.33	0.00	0.0	0.00		
201+00	50	0.19	0.3	0.51	0.00	0.0	0.00		
201+50	50	0.11	0.2	0.28	0.00	0.0	0.00		
TOTAL:				72.77	TOTAL:				0.00

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Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW) Impacts

Wetland Flag Number	Wetland Impact Type		Station
	Temporary (sq. ft.)	Permanent (sq. ft.)	
1			
2			
3			
4	7	0	Sta 307+80 to 311+65 LT
5	28	1	Sta 305+40 to 312+90 RT
6	708	93	Sta 285+70 to 304+35 LT
7	2490	910	Sta 284+60 to 304+95 RT
8			
9	6	0	Sta 282+15 to 283+50 RT
10			
11			
12			
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16	11	4	Sta 246+65 to 248+20 RT
17			
18			
19			
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21			
22			
23			
24	1	0	Sta 208+25 to 212+15 RT
25	9	0	Sta 207+00 to 212+50 LT
26	6	0	Sta 196+70 to 200+00 RT
27			Sta 196+25 to 200+00 LT
28			
29			
30			
31	332	0	Sta 169+25 to 172+50 LT
32			
33			Sta 140 LT - Potential Vernal Pool
33A			Sta 160 RT
34			
35			
36	5	0	Sta 103+25 to 107+75 LT & RT
36			Sta 188+75 to 189+40 RT (SURVEYED BY OTHERS)
37			Potential Vernal Pool
38	3	0	
39			

Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW) Impacts

Wetland Flag Number	Wetland Impact Type		Station
	Temporary (sq. ft.)	Permanent (sq. ft.)	
40			
41			
42	64	3	Sta 275+70 to 280+55 RT
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Bank Impacts

Bank Flag Number	Bank Impact Type				Station
	Temporary (ln. ft.)	Temporary (sq. ft.)	Permanent (ln. ft.)	Permanent (sq. ft.)	
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6	6	15	10	10	Sta 306+60 to 306+70 RT
7					
8					
9					
10					
11					
12					
13					Pantry Brook
14					Pantry Brook
15 - 6	3	1	0	0	Sta 301+10 to 301+40 LT
15 - 24	13	6	0	0	Sta 212+00 to 215+55 RT
16	5	7	8	4	Sta 247+20 to 247+30 RT
17					
18					
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23	298	376	0	0	Sta 216+30 to 221+60 RT
24					
25					
26					
27					
28					
29					
30	1,380	4,180	29	64	Sta 167 to 174
31					
32					
33					Sta 140 LT - Potential Vernal Pool
33A					Sta 160 RT
34					
35					
36					
37					Potential Vernal Pool
38					
39					

Bank Impacts

Bank Flag Number	Bank Impact Type				Station
	Temporary (ln. ft.)	Temporary (sq. ft.)	Permanent (ln. ft.)	Permanent (sq. ft.)	
40					
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To: Jodie Kablack – Town of Sudbury

Date: May 22, 2015



Project #: 12984.00

From: Meghan Selby,
Environmental Scientist

Re: Vernal Pool Investigation

Memorandum

This memorandum describes the results of a field investigation that was conducted along the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT) corridor on April 24, 2015. The investigation included verifying the presence or absence of egg masses or individuals of obligate vernal pool species within certified and potential vernal pools along the BFRT corridor (Figure 1).

The *Existing Conditions Survey Plan at Proposed Rail Trail in Sudbury, Mass.*, prepared by Atlantic Engineering & Survey Consultants Inc., dated June 30, 2008, was used as the base for the vernal pool investigation (Attachment A). The plan set identified a single certified vernal pool (CVP), numerous potential vernal pools (PVPs), a single Sudbury vernal pool (SVP), and isolated wetlands. In addition to the previously identified areas the field team walked the corridor looking for any additional areas that had vernal pool characteristics. The following lists of vernal pool criteria were used as the basis for documenting areas along the corridor.

The results of the investigation are summarized in Table 1 and described in further detail the following sections.

Vernal Pool Criteria

The March 2009 *Guidelines for the Certification of Vernal Pool Habitat* (Guidelines) defines the Vernal Pool Certification Criteria based on biological and physical evidence.

Biological criteria include:

- Obligate species (wood frog (*Lithobates sylvaticus*), spotted salamander (*Ambystoma maculatum*), blue-spotted salamander (*A. laterale*), Jefferson salamander (*A. jeffersonianum*), and marbled salamander (*A. opacum*)
 - Wood frog chorusing
 - At least 5 pairs of mated wood frogs
 - At least 5 egg masses of either wood frogs or spotted salamanders
 - One egg mass of state-listed blue-spotted or Jefferson salamander
 - Mating adult salamanders
 - Salamander spermatophores
 - Salamander or wood frog larvae
 - Fairy shrimp (*Anostraca: Eubranchipus*)
- Facultative species (spring peeper, gray treefrog, American toad, Folwer's toad) – at least two species must be present.
 - Adult chorusing
 - At least 5 mated pairs
 - Any number of egg masses

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- Tadpoles

Physical criteria include evidence that there is a pool with no permanently flowing outlet (no culvert or stream). The Guidelines defines Vernal Pool Boundary as:

- A distinct and clear topographic break at the edge of a pool or
- The maximum observed or recorded extent of flooding, as evidenced by:
 - Leaf staining or other indicators of hydrology, or
 - The mean annual high water mark as observed in March through early April.

The *Sudbury Wetlands Administration Bylaw Regulations* (Revised August 11, 2014) further defines a vernal pool as:

any confined basin or depression not occurring in existing lawns, gardens, landscaped areas, or driveways which, at least in most years, holds water for a minimum of two continuous months during the spring and/or summer, contains at least 200 cubic feet of water at some time during most years, is free of adult predatory fish populations, and provides essential breeding and rearing habitat functions for amphibian, reptile, or other vernal pool community species.

Results

Results from the investigation are summarized in the following table and described in greater detail in the following section.

Table 1. Vernal Pool Investigation Results Summary

ID	Between Stations	Water Depth (in)	Findings
PVP 1	468.00-468.50	<1	No VP species found.
PVP 2	453.00-457.00	24-48	No VP species found.
PVP 3	440.50-441.50	2-3	No VP species found.
PVP 4*	431.50-435.00	6-15	1 wood frog egg mass and 2 spotted salamander egg masses.
PVP 5*	427.50-429.25	2-12	No VP species found. 1 predacious diving beetle observed.
PVP 6*	418.00-419.00	2-6	No VP species found. Direct outlet to adjacent stream.
PVP 7	393.50-395.50	6-8	No VP species found. Limited opportunity for egg mass attachment.
PVP 8	389.00-390.50	2-3	No VP species found. Water was flowing through area instead of ponding due to topography.
SVP 9	376.50-377.50	2-5	No VP species found.
PVP 10	373.00-374.50	0	No VP species found. Area was dry at time of inspection.

ID	Between Stations	Water Depth (in)	Findings
PVP 11*	384.50-385.50	10-12	8 spotted salamander egg masses. Approx. 5 small (~4in) fish swimming near some of the egg masses.
PVP 12*	354.50-356.00	12-24	No VP species found. Limited opportunity for egg mass attachment.
CVP 13*	336.00-337.00	5-24	15+ blue spotted salamander, 15+ spotted salamander, and 10+ wood frog egg masses found.
PVP 14*	334.00-335.00	4-6	No VP species found.
PVP 15	284.50-286.50	4-18	1 wood frog egg mass found. No other signs of VP species.
PVP 16	254.50-255.50	2-10	No VP species found. (~10 wood frog egg masses found on 4/22/15)
PVP 17	254.50-256.00	0-6	No VP species found. Oil sheen present throughout isolated wetland.
PVP 18	249.00-254.00	0-12	No VP species found.
PVP 19	247.00-248.00	0	No VP species found. Area was dry at time of inspection.

*Areas within mapped priority and estimated habitat as provided by NHESP.

Based on the findings of the April 2015 survey of potential vernal pools along the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in Sudbury, only Potential Vernal Pools 4, 11, 15, and 16 are eligible for certification as Vernal Pools with the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program. Vernal Pool 13 is already certified and was confirmed with by our findings. Although a single wood frog egg mass was observed within Potential Vernal Pool 15, it would not meet NHESP certification requirements.

The following are photographs from the field investigation of each of the pools, and additional site specific notes.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 1 – Between Stations 468.00 and 468.50.



PVP 1 was within a larger wetland complex. The area does not appear to hold enough water long enough for VP species utilization. Water levels were less than 1 inch. No VP species were observed.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 2 – Between Stations 453.00 and 457.00.



PVP 2 is part of a larger wetland complex. Water levels were to a depth of approximately 2 feet along the outer edge and up to 4 feet within the center of the pool. Despite the abundance of suitable egg laying locations (over hanging branches) no VP species or evidence of species was observed during the investigation.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 3 – Between Stations 440.50 and 441.50.

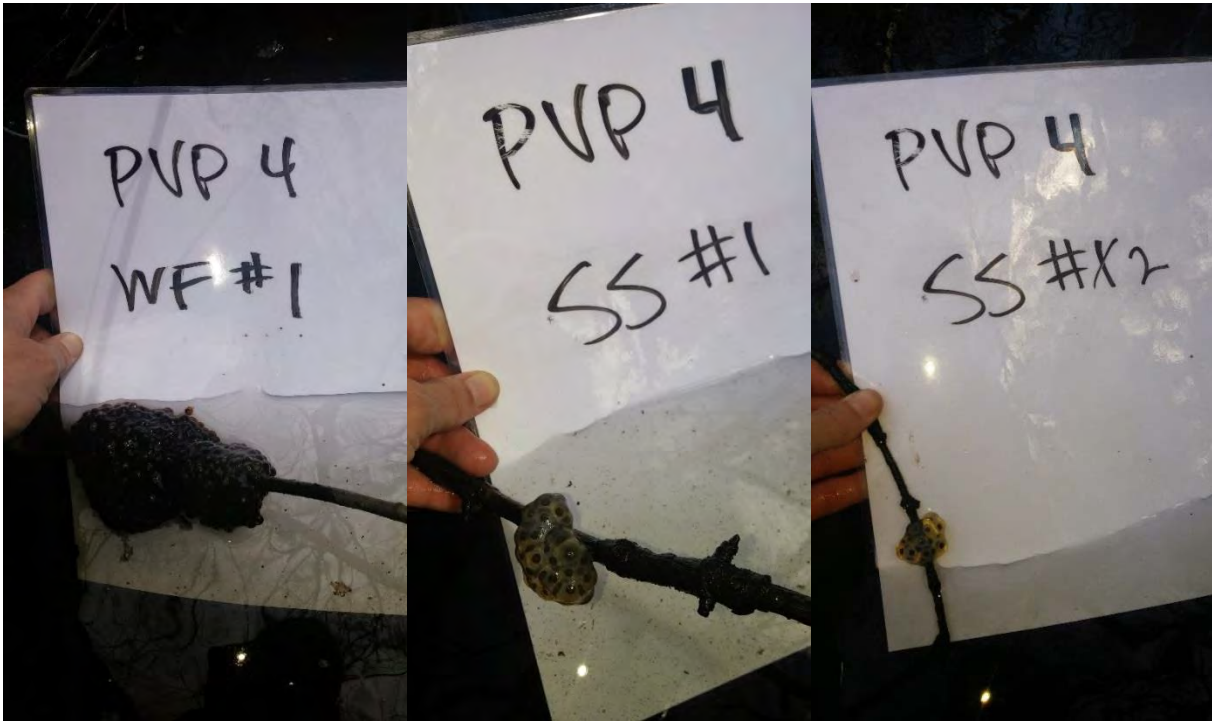


PVP 3 is a shallow and narrow depression that runs parallel to the rail bed. Water depths were 2-3 inches and no VP species were observed.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 4 – Between Stations 431.50 and 435.00.



PVP 4 is to the east of Pantry Road and on the western limit of the BFRT corridor. The pool had standing water ranging from 6 to 15 inches. High levels of iron were observed within the pool. Numerous branches were positioned along the edge of the pool, creating good egg mass attachment opportunities.



One wood frog and two spotted salamander egg masses were found within PVP 4. This area is within Priority Habitat of Rare Species (PH 617) and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife (EH 543).

Potential Vernal Pool Area 5 – Between Stations 427.50 and 429.25.



PVP 5 is a narrow depression with shallow pockets of water along the fringes and up to 12 inches in the center. No VP species were observed within the pool. Clumps of algae were observed on some branches and within the deeper sections of the water. This area is within Priority Habitat of Rare Species (PH 617) and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife (EH 543).

Potential Vernal Pool Area 6 – Between Stations 418.00 and 419.00.



PVP 6 is a shallow depression adjacent to a stream. Standing water within the depression ranged from 2 to 6 inches. No VP species were observed. This area is within Priority Habitat of Rare Species (PH 617) and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife (EH 543).



Water within the PVP 6 area was actively draining into the adjacent stream at the time of the inspection.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 7 – Between Stations 393.50 and 395.50.



PVP 7 is a shallow depression with standing water ranging from 6 to 8 inches. The depression was approximately 10 feet at its widest point. No VP species were observed.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 8 – Between Stations 389.00 and 390.50.



PVP 8 is a shallow secondary channel adjacent to a well-defined stream. No VP species were observed.



PVP 8 had flowing water ranging from 2 to 3 inches deep before the confluence with the main stream channel.

Sudbury Vernal Pool 9 – Between Stations 376.50 and 377.50.



SVP 9 had approximately 2 to 5 inches of standing water. No permanent outlet was present. No VP species were observed.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 10 – Between Stations 373.00 and 374.50.



PVP 10 is a channel like depression that runs along rail bed's the toe of slope. The area was dry at the time of inspection. Based on topography within this area it is unlikely that water ponds up for the requisite period of time for VP species to utilization. No VP species were found.

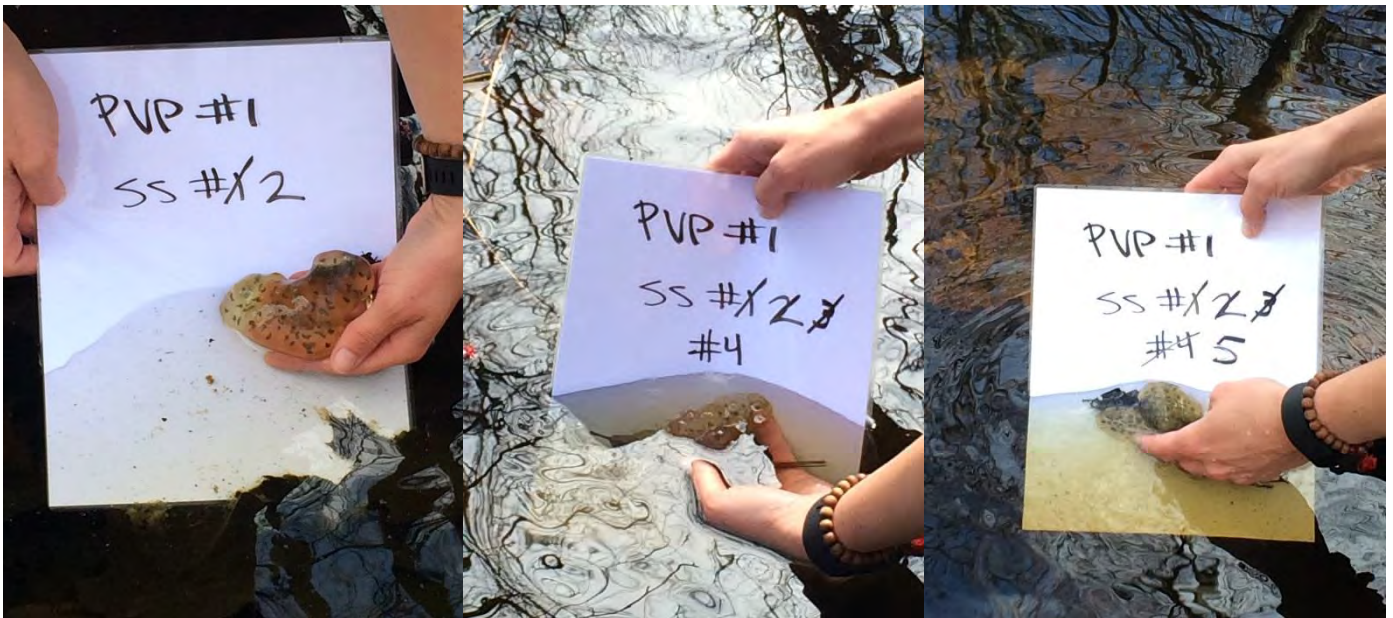
Potential Vernal Pool Area 11 – Between Stations 384.50 and 385.50.



PVP 11 is part of a larger wetland complex. The southern extent of the complex (as pictured above) had standing water between 10 and 12 inches.



The northern extent of the wetland complex (PVP 11) transitions into a wide channel and to the northeast a pond. Small fish approximately 4 inches in length were primarily observed within the larger channel area and a few were found swimming within a few feet of the spotted salamander egg masses.



Eight spotted salamander egg masses were observed within PVP 11. These were localized within the southern extent of the wetland complex. This area is within Priority Habitat of Rare Species (PH 528) and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife (EH 437).

Potential Vernal Pool Area 12 – Between Stations 354.50 and 356.00

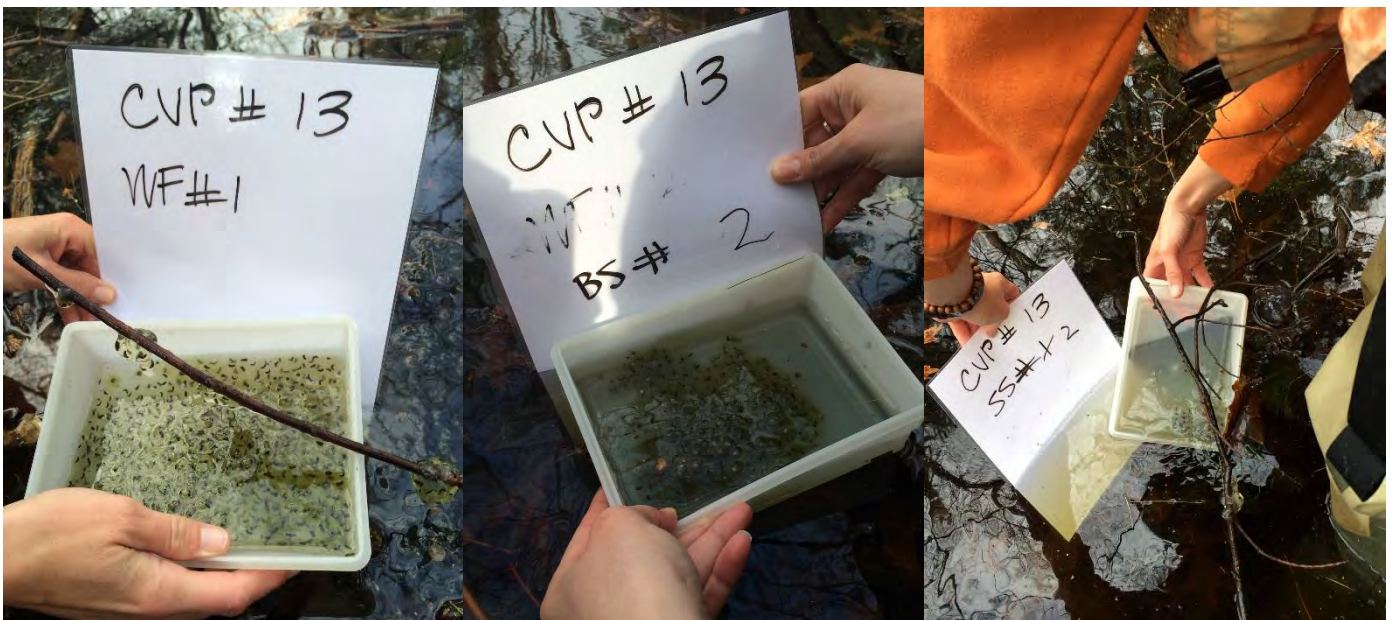


PVP 12 is on the western side of the BFRT corridor, across from PVP 11. PVP 12 is a farm pond that has the potential to hold water through most of the year. Water depths were approximately 1 to 2 feet. There were little to no branches within the outer fringe of the pond along the eastern limit (within the ROW easement). No VP species were found. This area is within Priority Habitat of Rare Species (PH 528) and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife (EH 437).

Certified Vernal Pool 13 – Between Stations 336.00 and 337.00.



CVP 13 is approximately 80 by 100 feet and had up to approximately 2 feet of standing water at the time of the inspection. This area is within Priority Habitat of Rare Species (PH 528) and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife (EH 437).



Wood frog (10+), spotted salamander (15+), and blue-spotted salamander (15+) egg masses were found throughout the pool. A number of individual and clusters of 2-5 eggs were also found throughout and on the bottom of the pool.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 14 – Between Stations 334.00 and 335.00.



PVP 14 was holding approximately 4 to 6 inches of standing water at the time of inspection. This area is within Priority Habitat of Rare Species (PH 528) and Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife (EH 437). No VP species were found.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 15 – Between Stations 284.50 and 286.50.



PVP 15 is a narrow depression that is coincident with the rail bed's toe of slope. The center of the depression was holding approximately 18 inches of water at the time of inspection. One wood frog egg mass was found. No other VP species were observed.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 16 – Between Stations 254.50 and 255.50.



PVP 16 is within a constructed detention basin. At the time of inspection standing water reached depths of 10 inches in the southern extent and the basin was dry in the northern extent. No VP species were observed. An oil sheen was present on the surface of the water and small piles of snow and associated debris were present. During a flagging event on April 15, 2015 staff heard wood frog chorusing and noted multiple wood frog egg masses within the center of the pool.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 17 – Between Stations 254.50 and 256.00.



PVP 17 is an isolated wetland. The depression was holding up to 6 inches of water in the center. An oil sheen was present within the pool and no VP species were observed.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 18 – Between Stations 249.00 and 254.00.

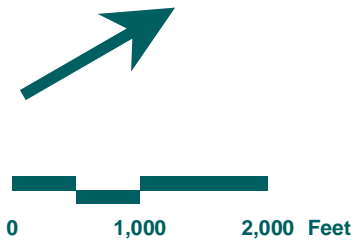
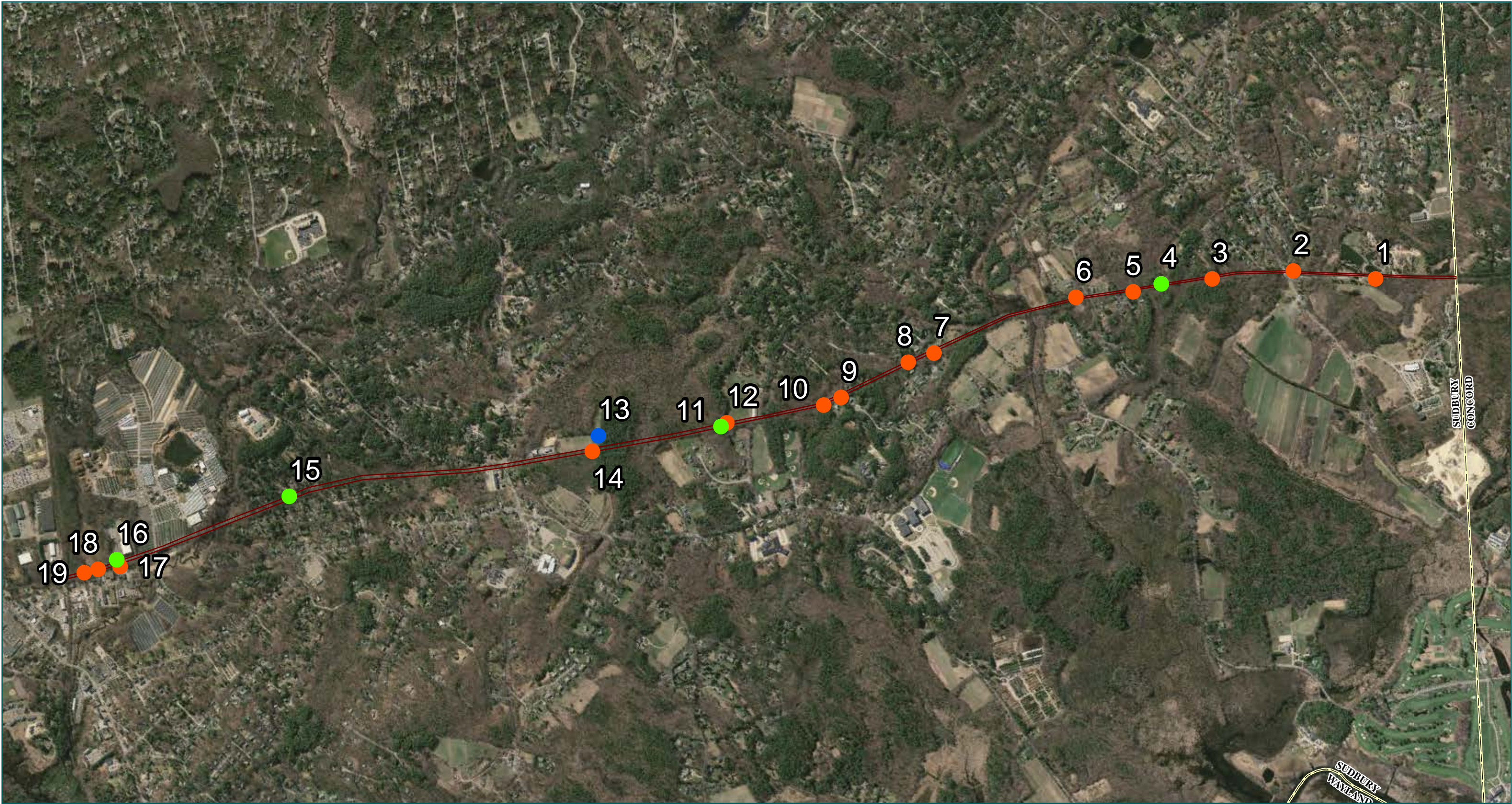


PVP area 18 is part of a large cattail marsh wetland complex with a stream channel flowing through the center. The stream is carried under the rail road bed through a culvert and connects to a wetland on the eastern side of the alignment. The investigation was limited to the railroad easement and no VP species were found.

Potential Vernal Pool Area 19 – Between Stations 247.00 and 248.00



PVP 19 is an isolated wetland located to the west of the rail alignment. The area was dry at the time of the inspection and no VP species were found.



- Legend**
- Certified Vernal Pool
 - Eligible to be Certified
 - Non-Eligible to be Certified
 - ▭ Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Corridor

Figure 1 – Site Location Map

Bruce Freeman Rail Trail
Sudbury, Massachusetts

SUDBURY BRUCE FREEMAN RAIL TRAIL EXISTING CONDITIONS BASE SURVEY

SITE NOTES

- TOPOGRAPHY, PROPERTY LINE INFORMATION AND SITE FEATURES WERE OBTAINED FROM AN ON THE GROUND SURVEY BY ATLANTIC ENGINEERING PERFORMED BETWEEN MARCH AND JUNE OF 2008.
- THE LOCATIONS OF ALL EXISTING UTILITIES ARE TAKEN FROM EXISTING AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED APPROXIMATE. THERE MAY BE EXISTING LINES OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN HEREON. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE REQUIRED TO CONTACT THE PROPER UTILITY COMPANIES AND DIG-SAFE PRIOR TO BEGINNING ANY CONSTRUCTION ON THE SITE. OUR FIRM DOES NOT WARRANT WARRANT OR GUARANTEE THE LOCATION OF ANY UTILITIES SHOWN HEREON.
- ALL ELEVATIONS REFER TO NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM (NAD83) OF 1983. FROM NGVD OF 1929 USING "VERTCON" FROM THE NGS/NOAA.GOV WEB SITE.
- WETLANDS FLAGS DEMARCATING WETLAND RESOURCE AREAS WERE DELINEATED MARCH THROUGH MAY OF 2008 BY:
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- PER THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS REPORTABLE HAZARDOUS RELEASE LOOKUP WEB SITE THERE ARE NO OPEN SITES WITHIN 100 FEET OF THE LOCUS.

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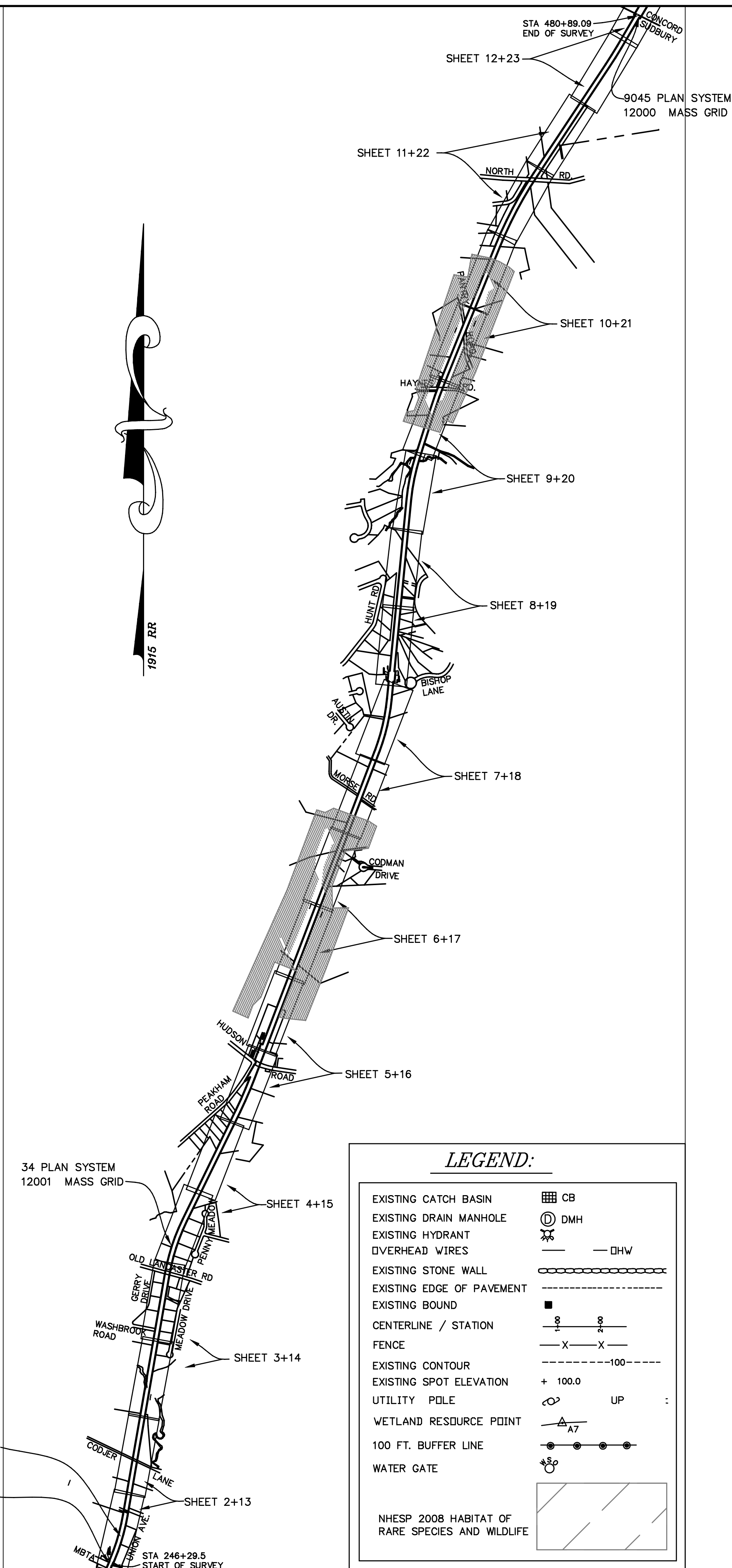
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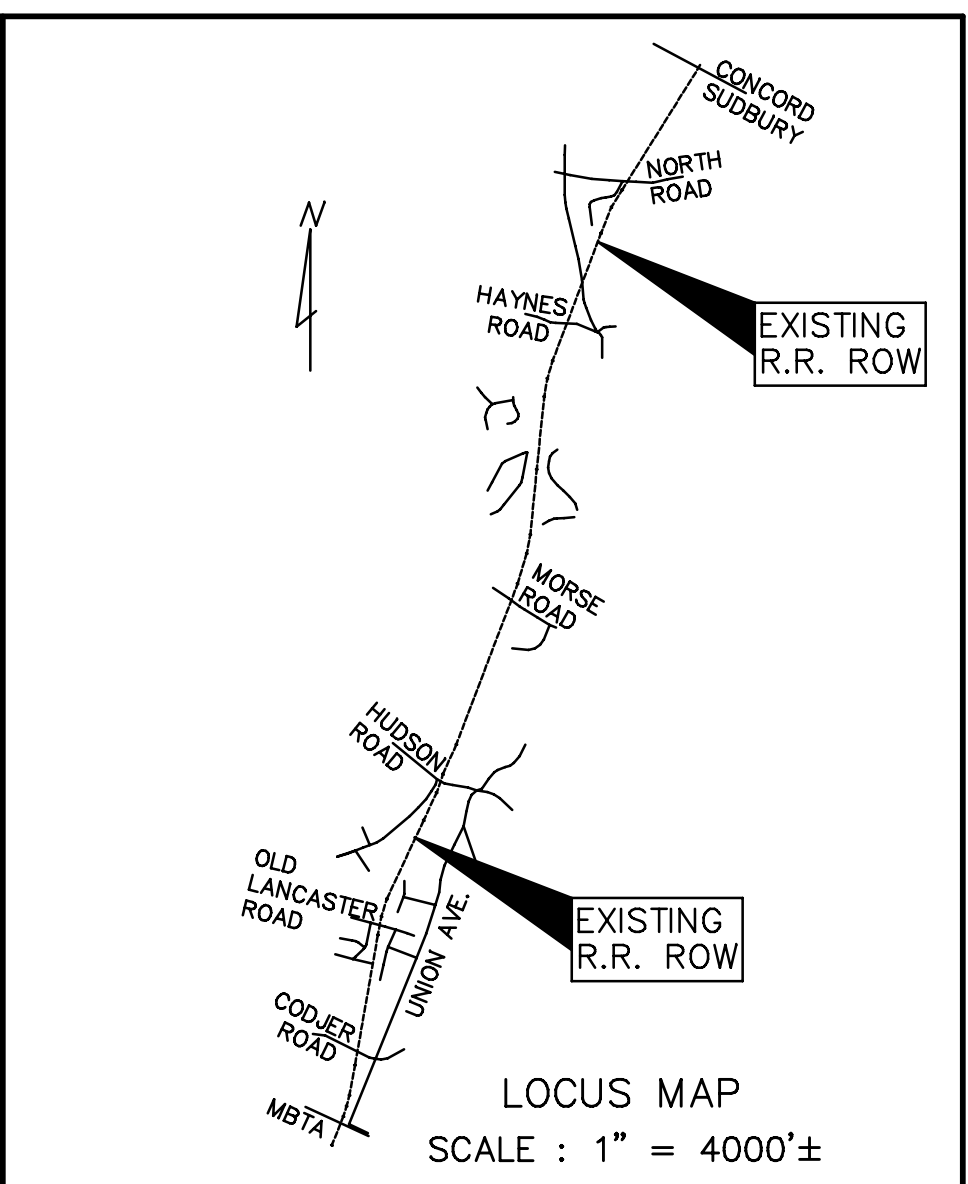
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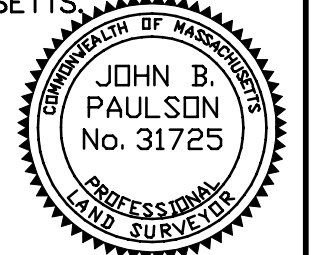
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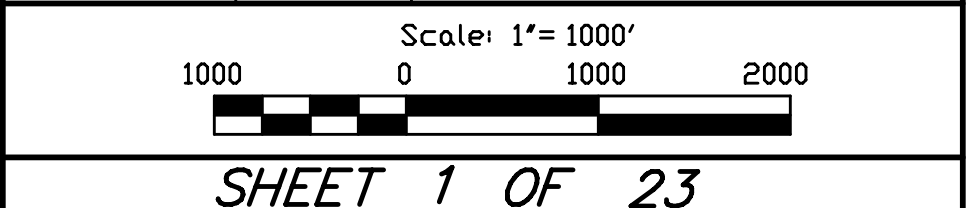
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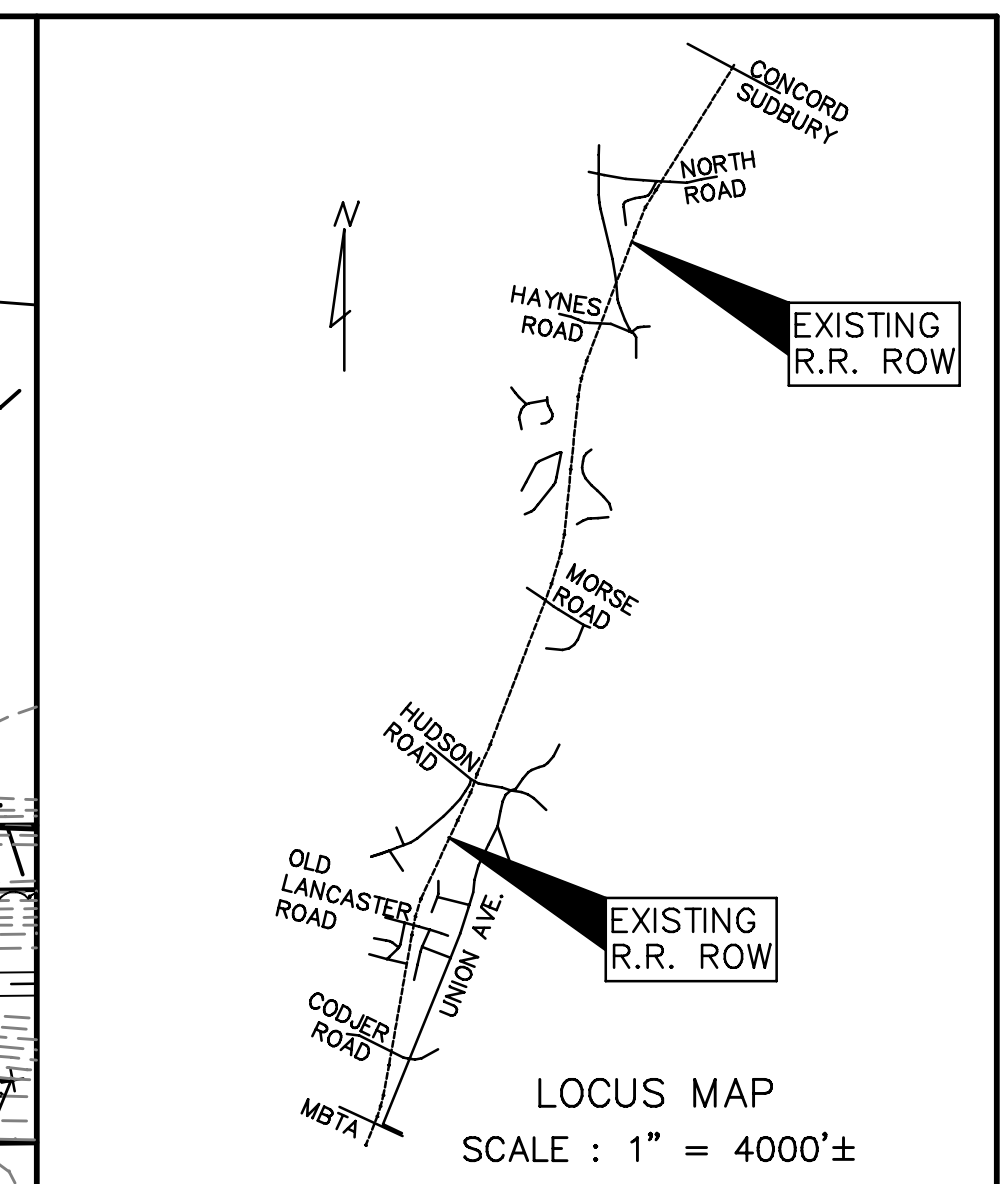
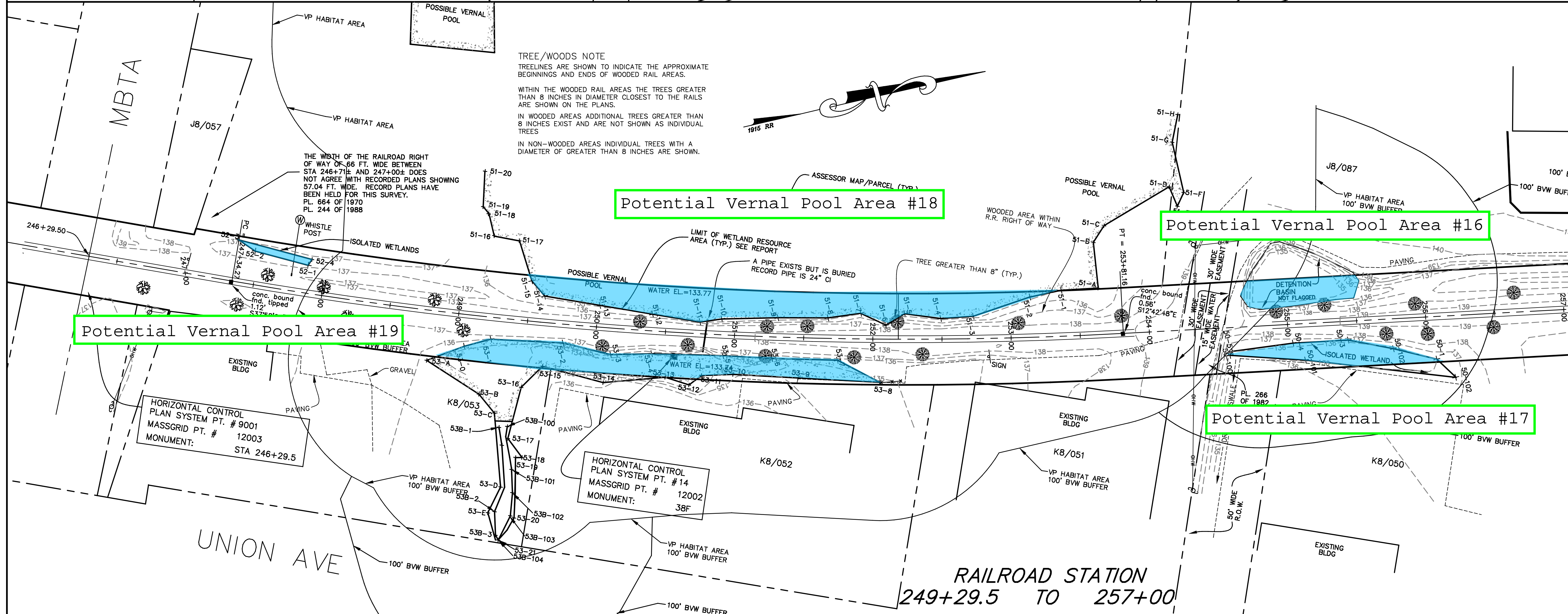
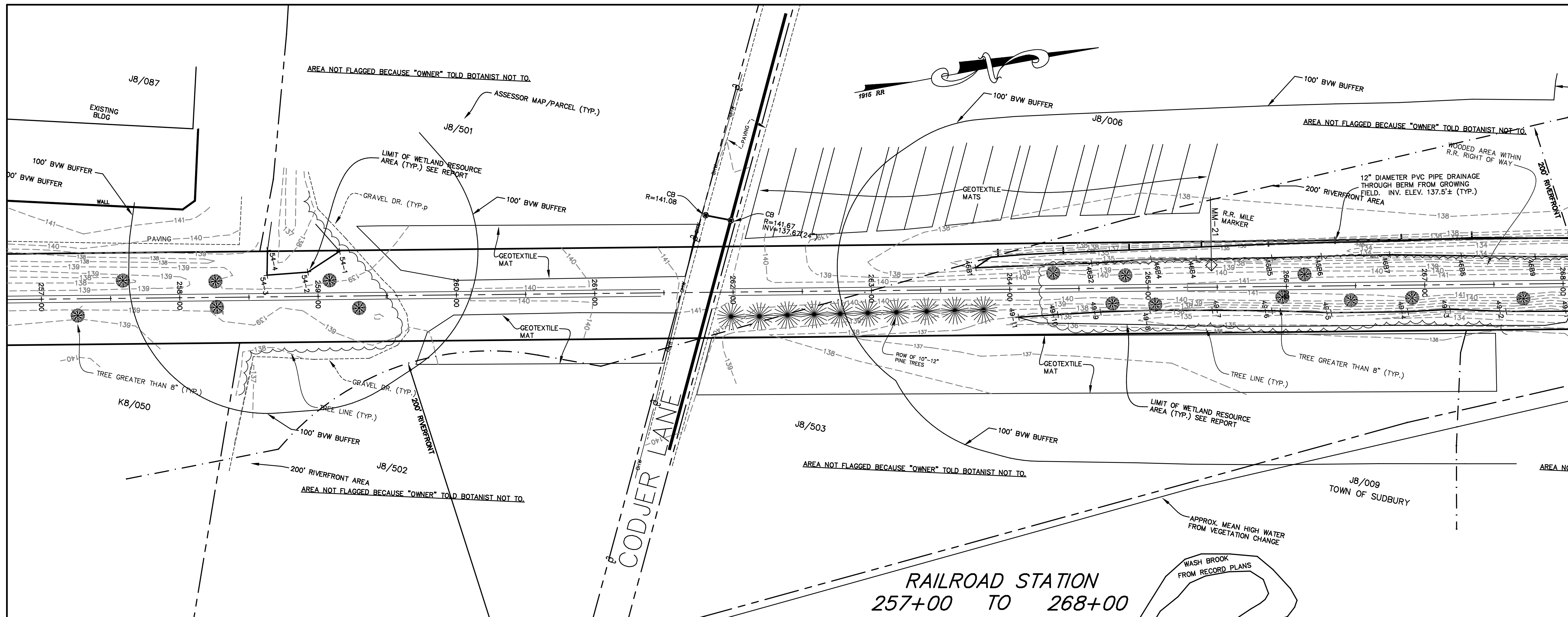
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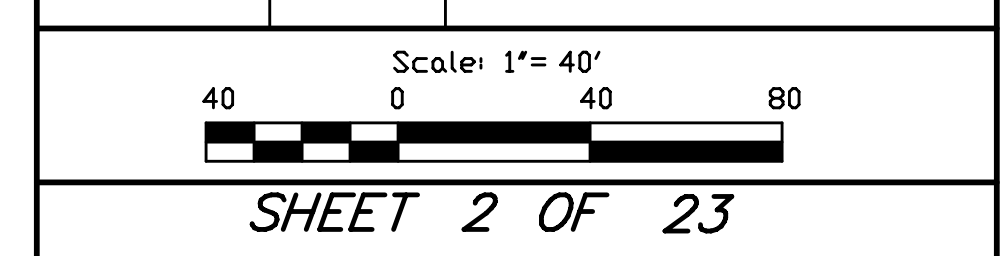
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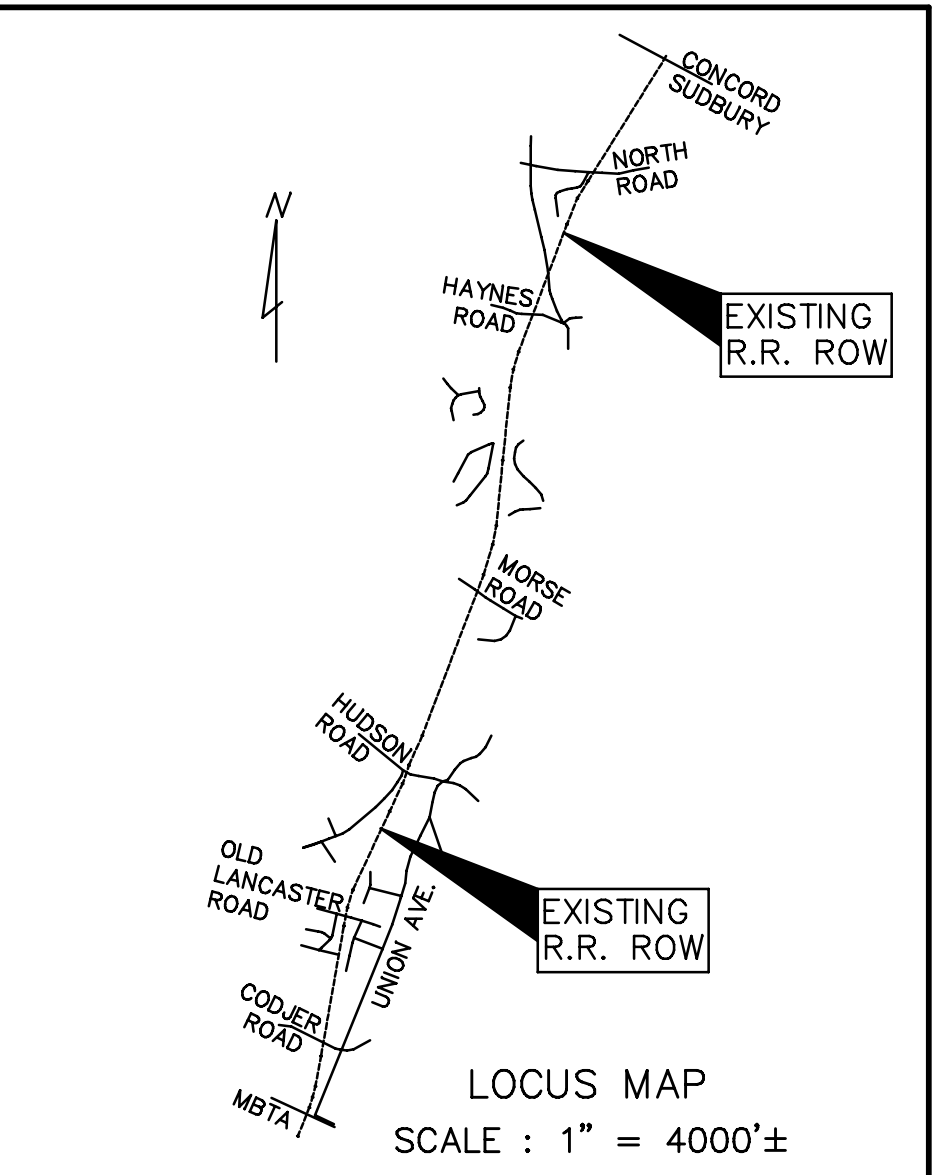
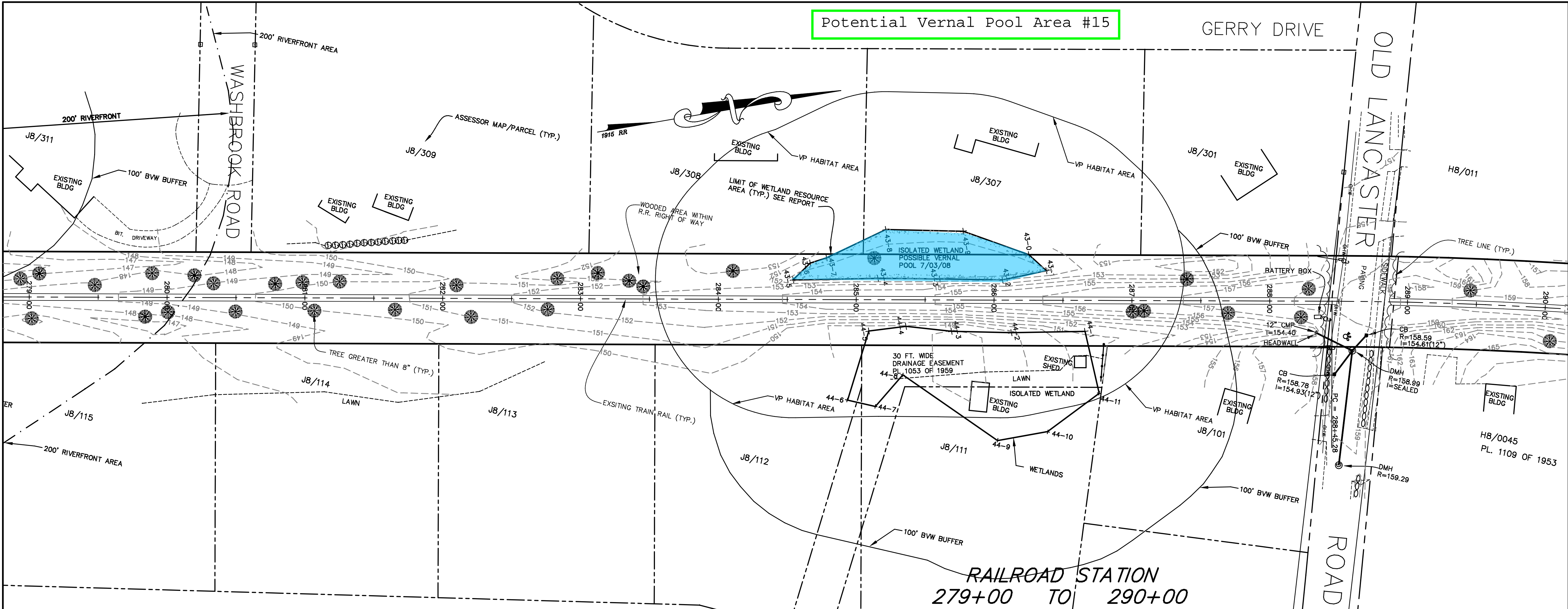
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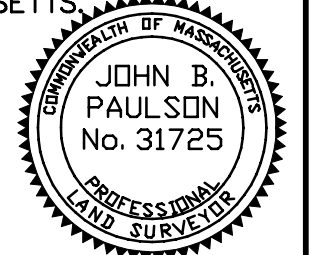
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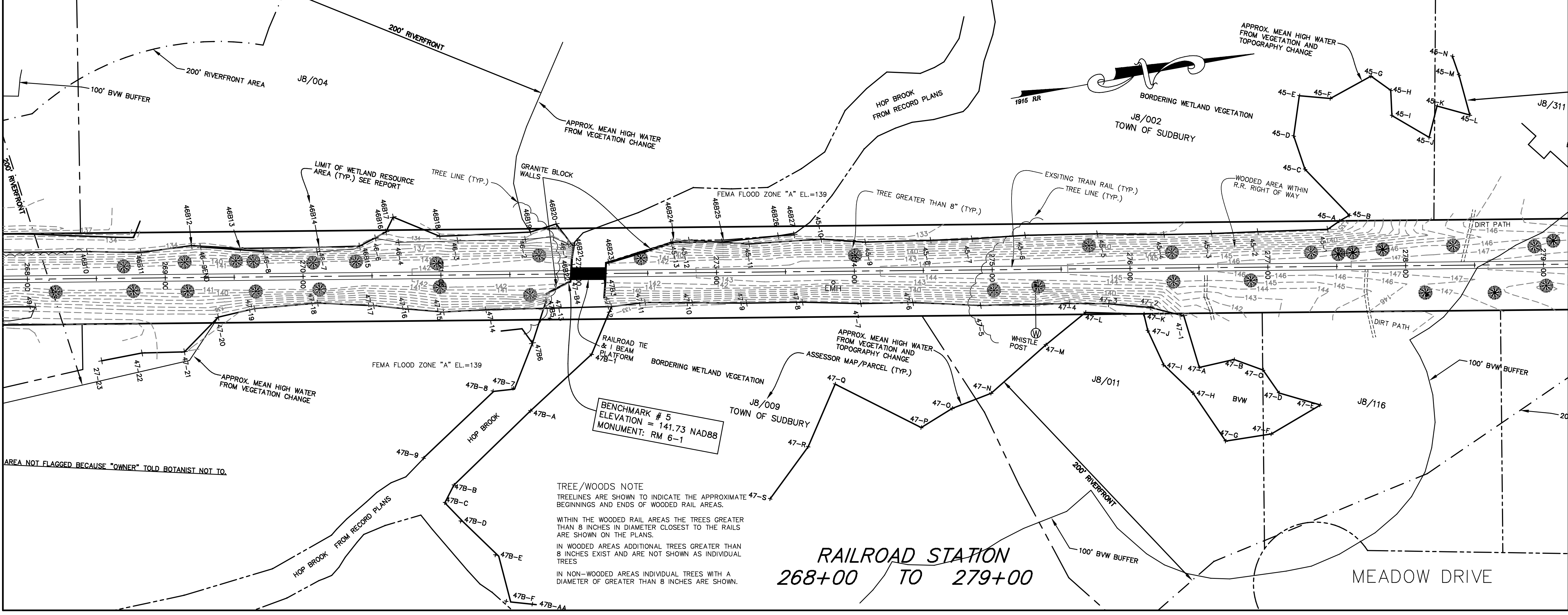
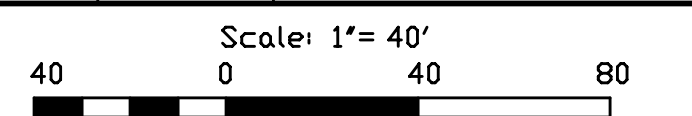
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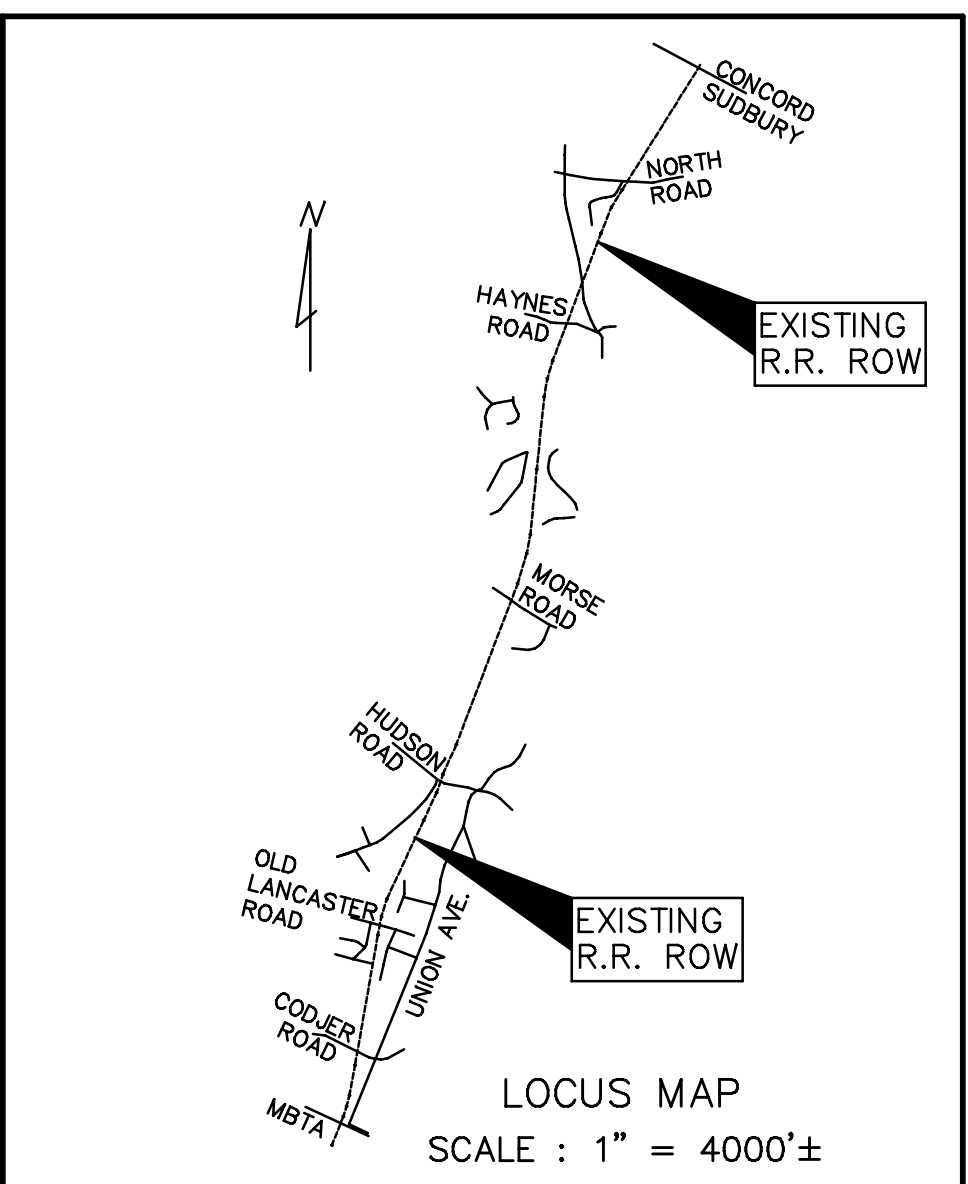
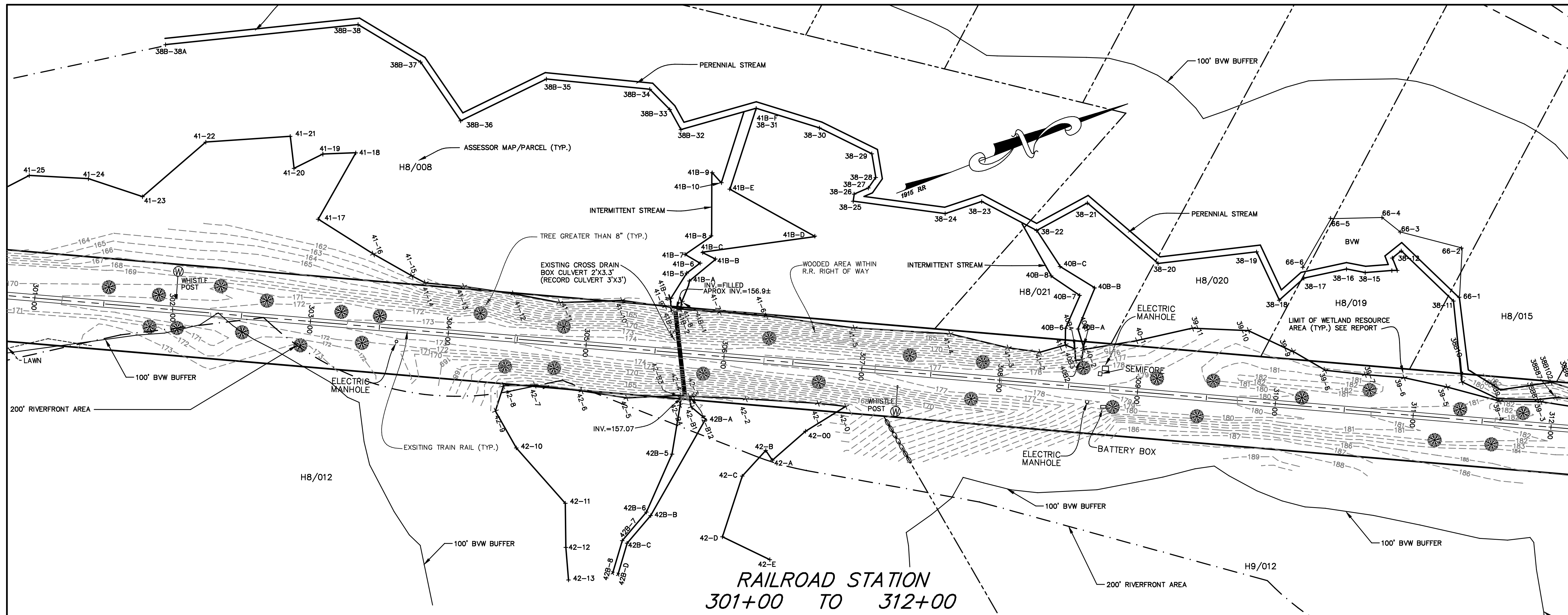
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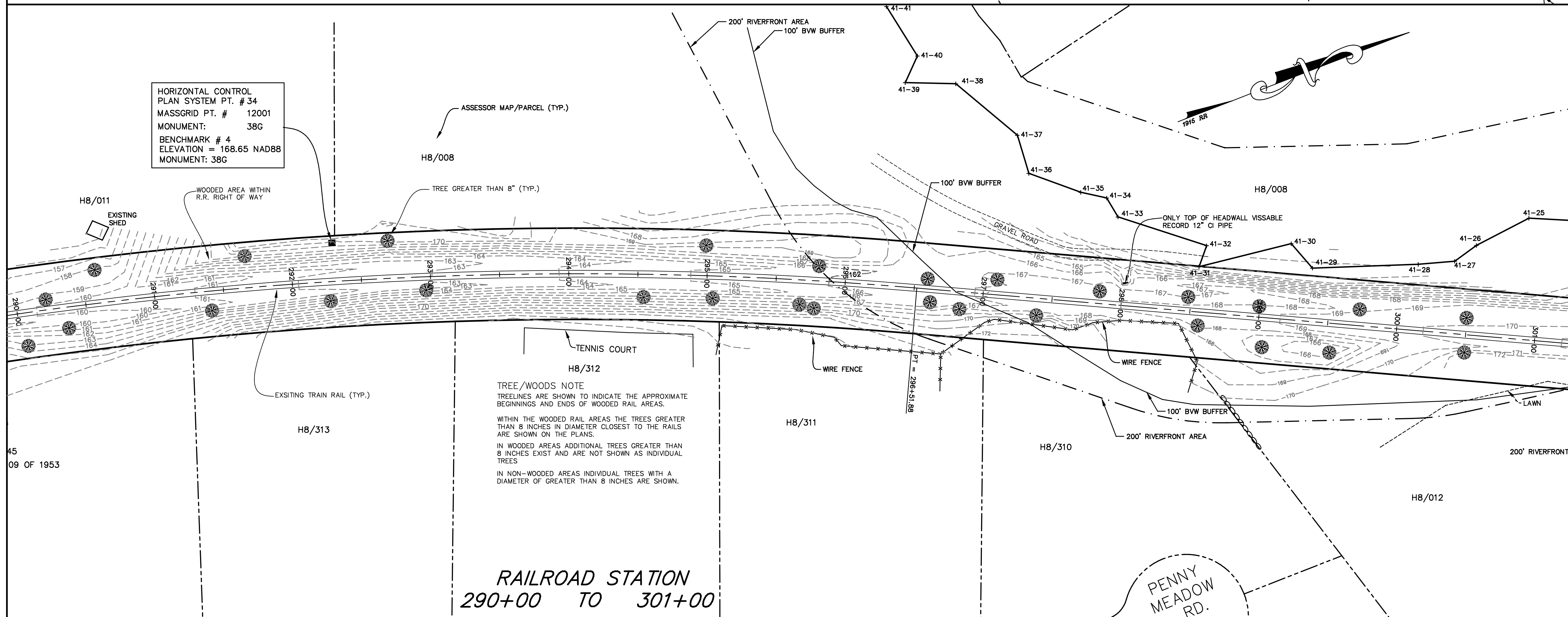
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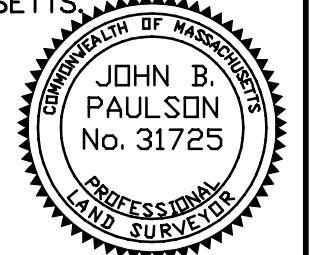
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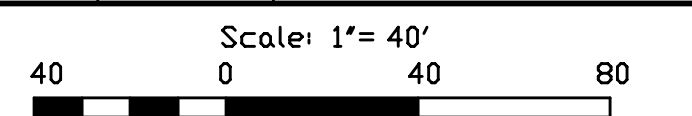
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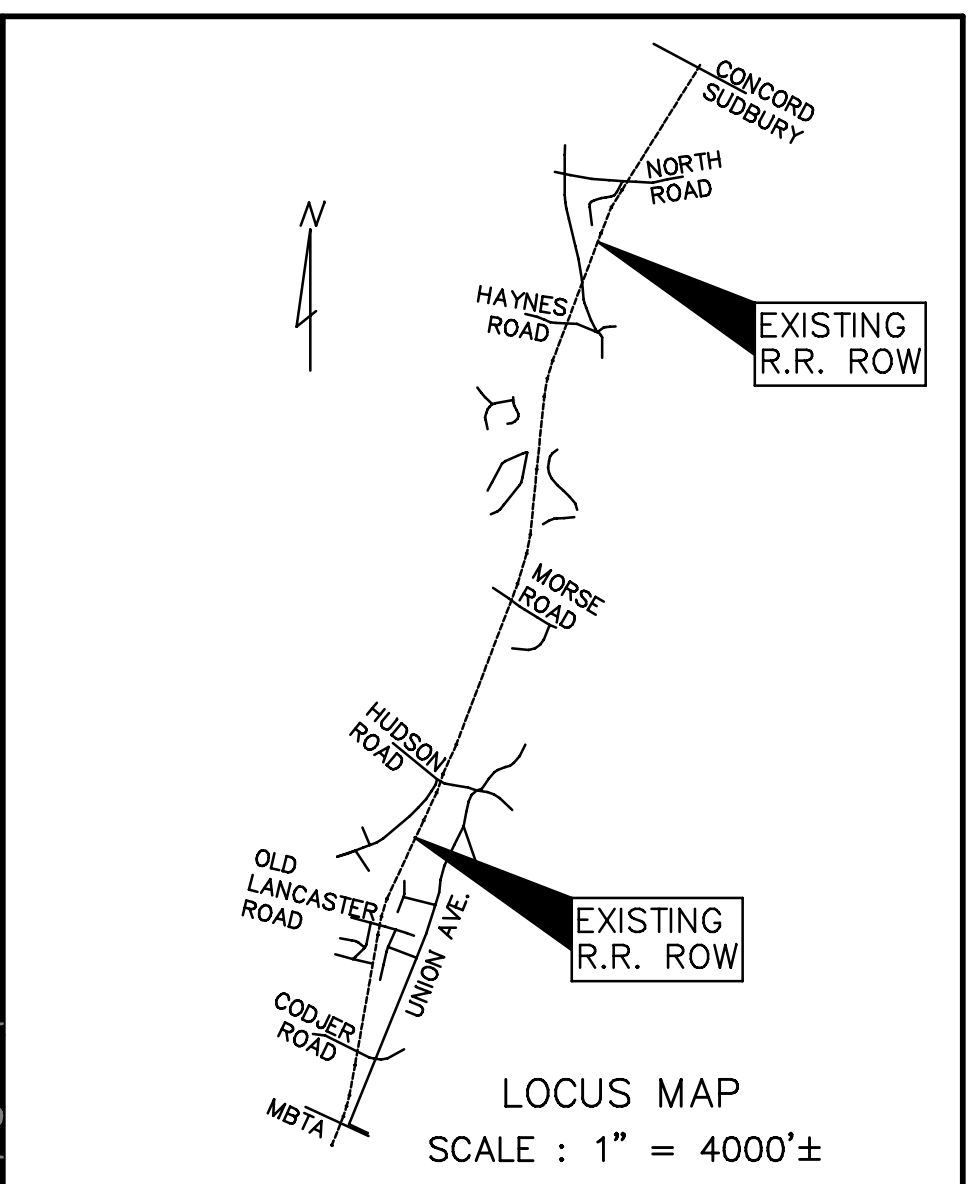
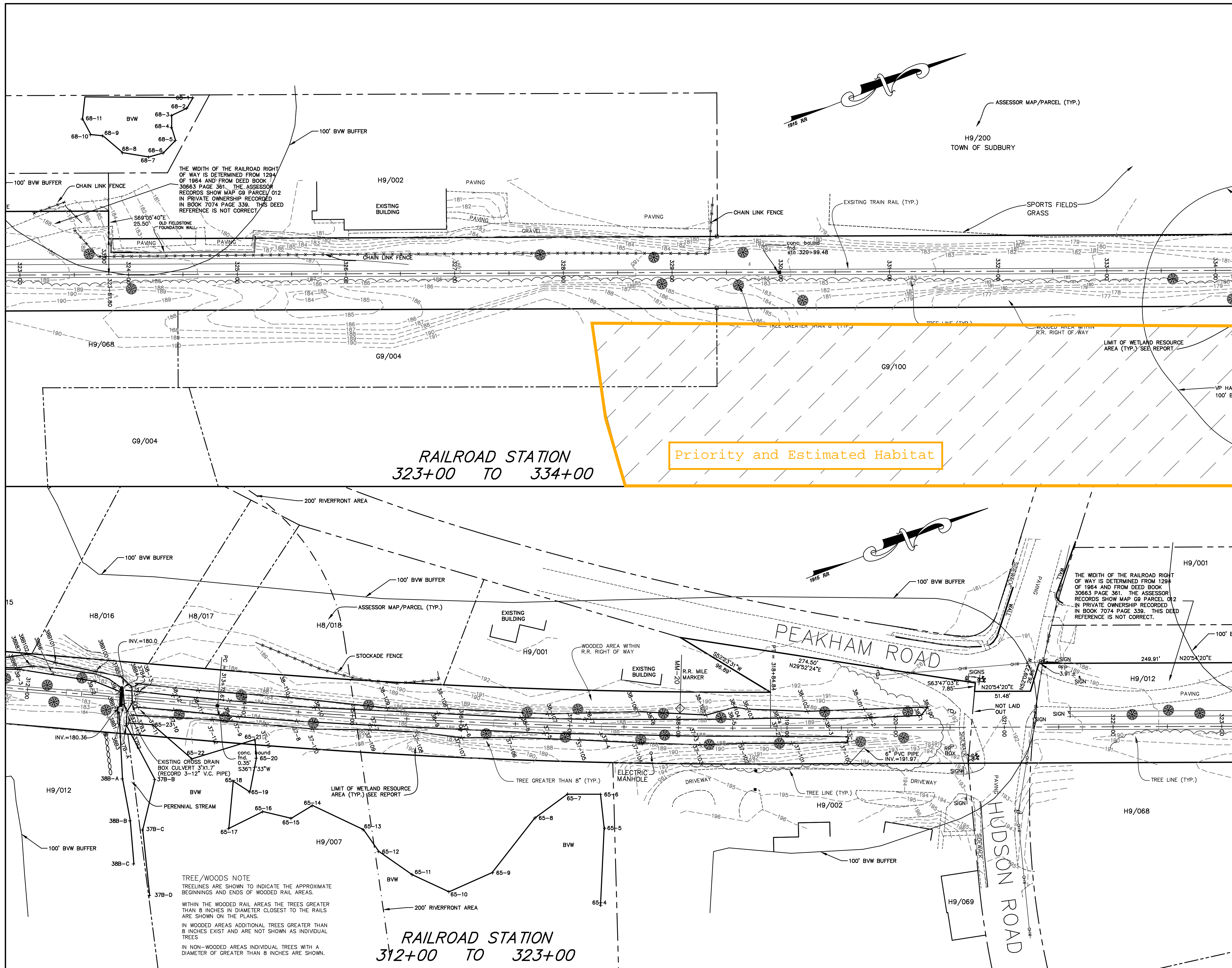
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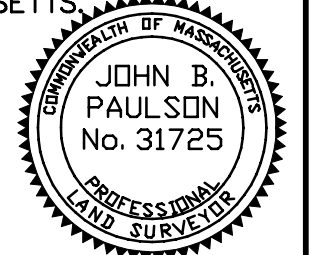
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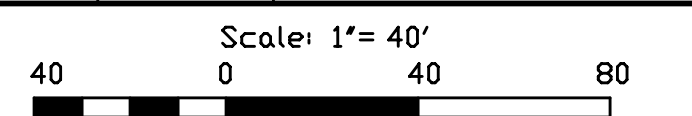
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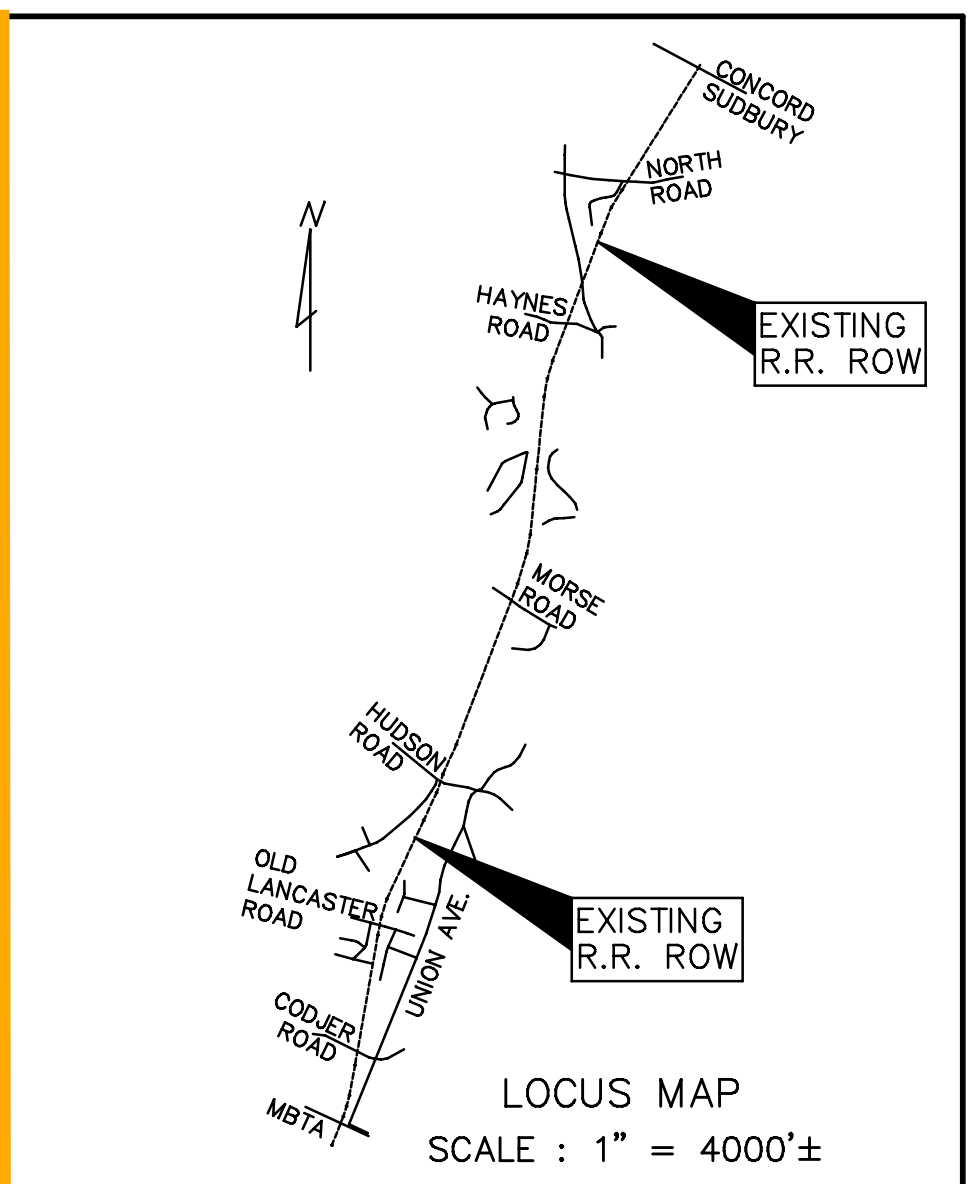
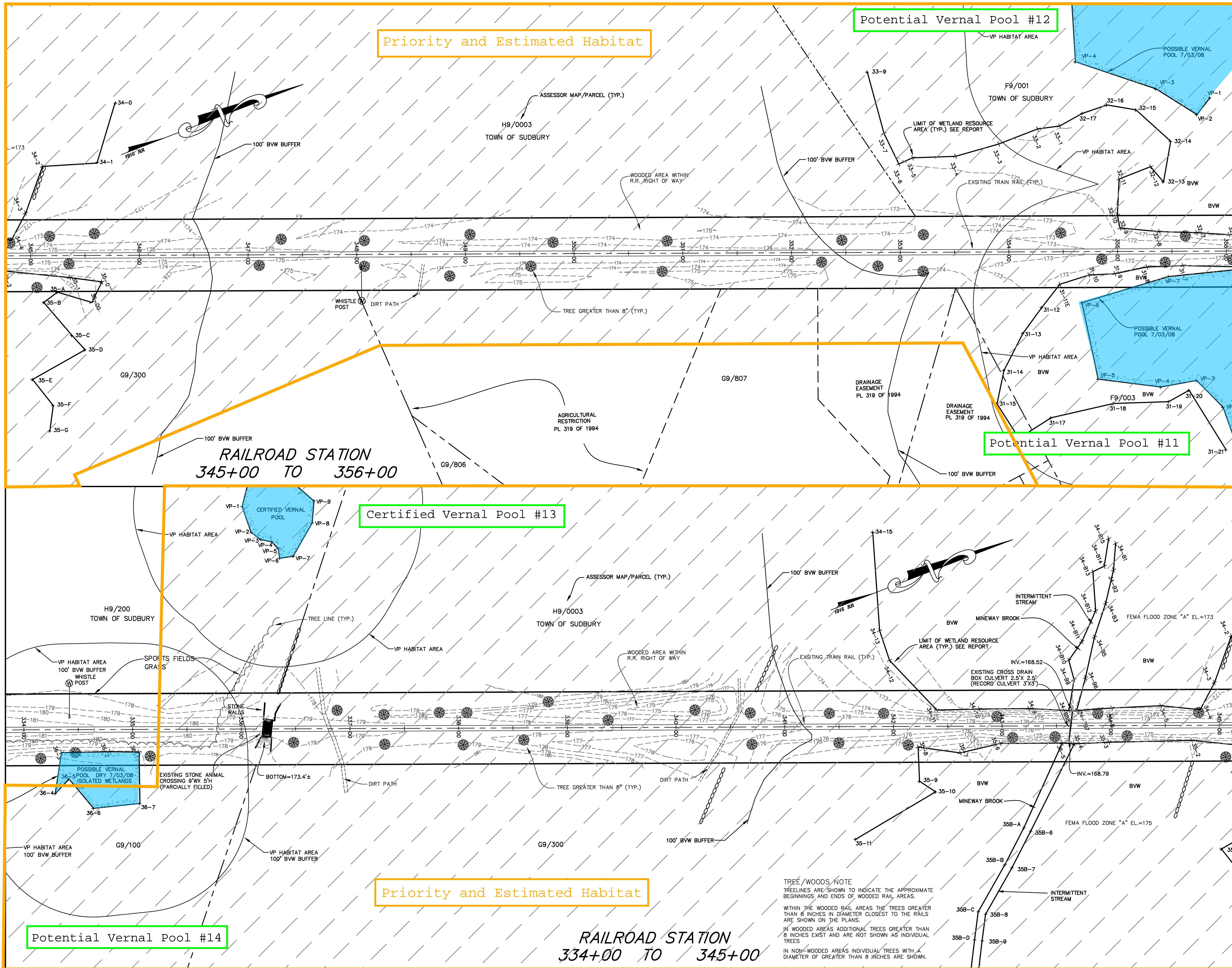
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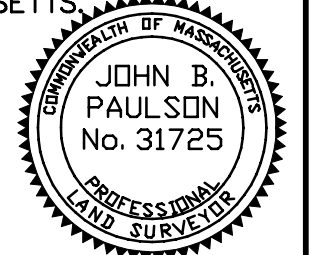
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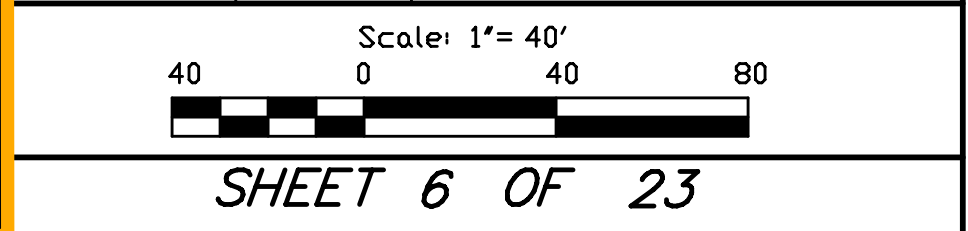
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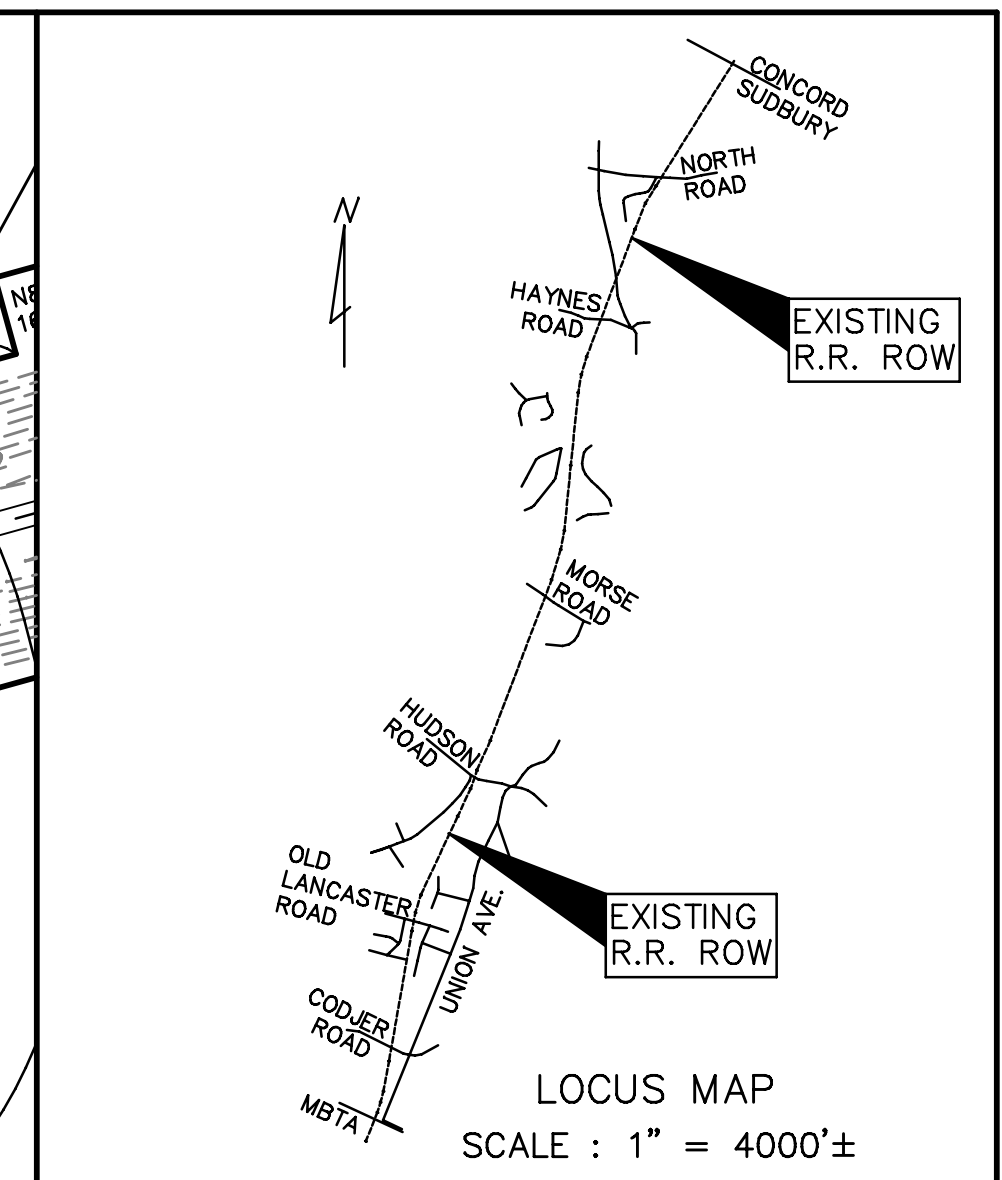
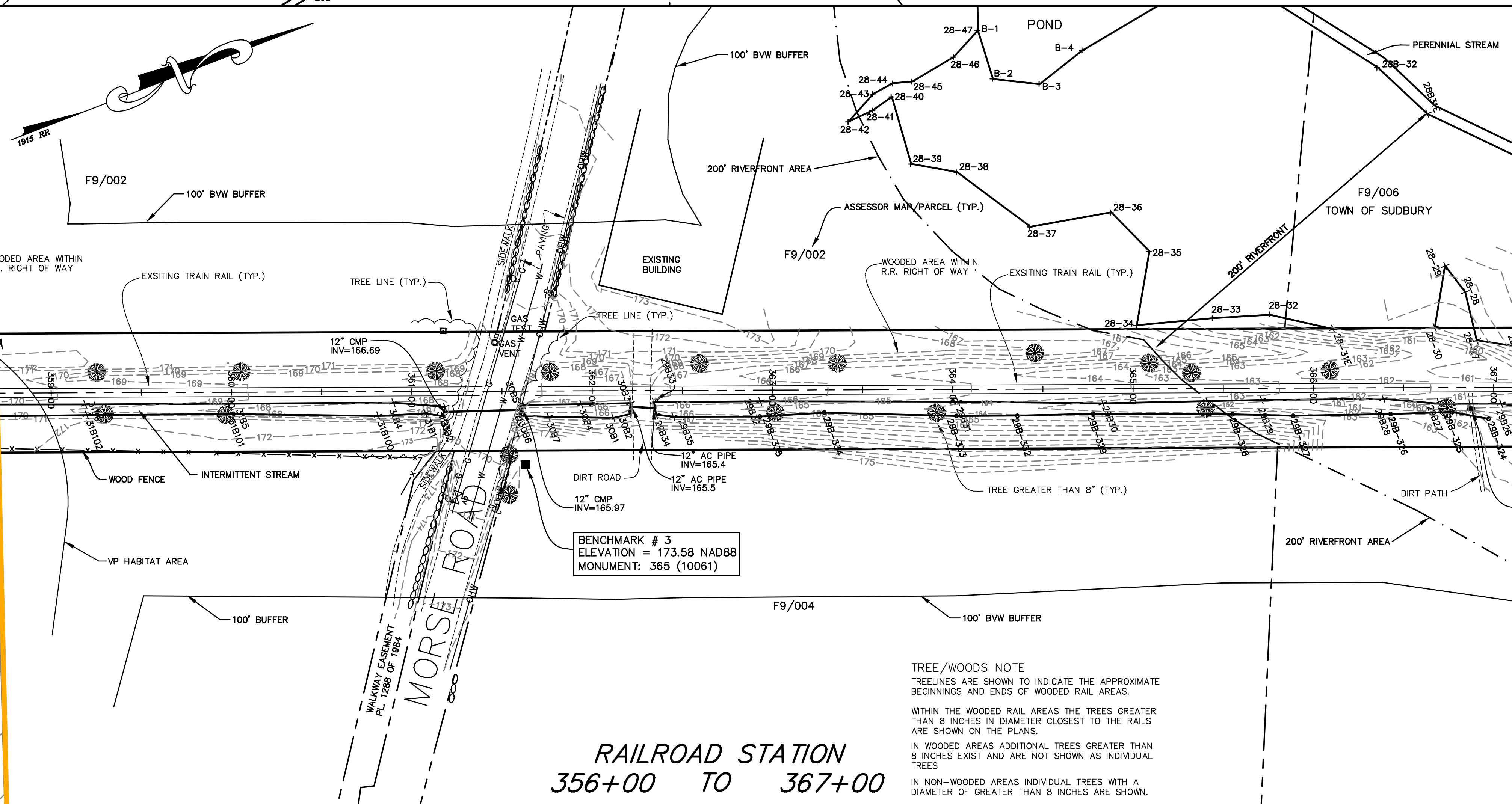
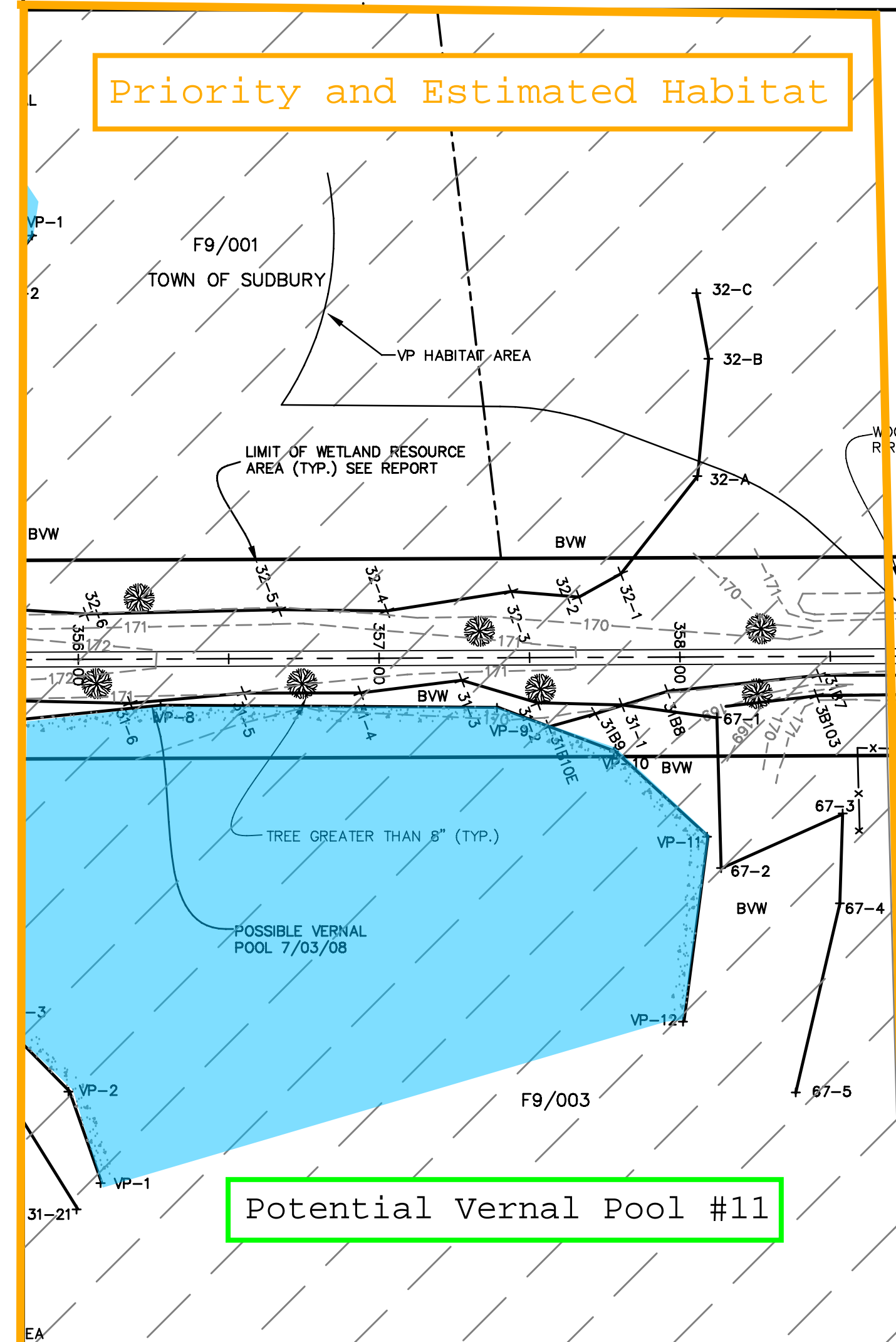
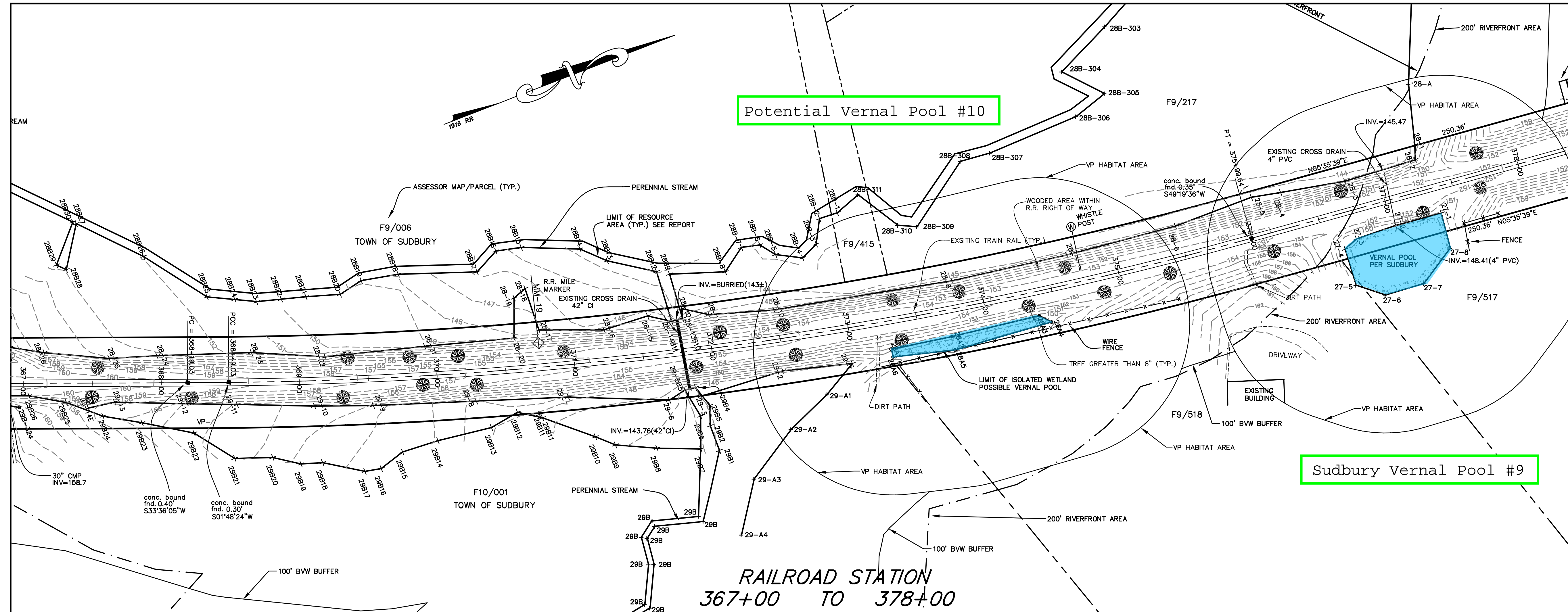
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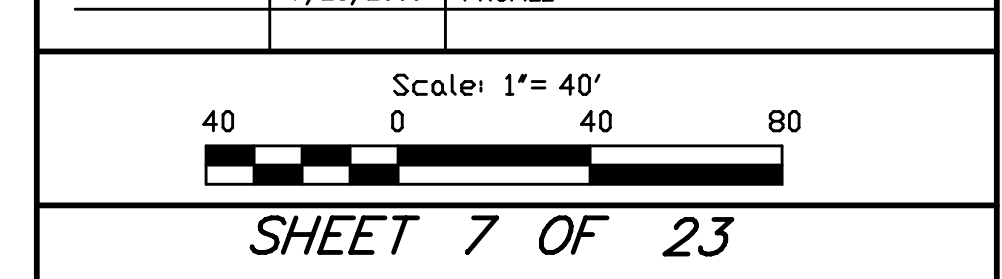
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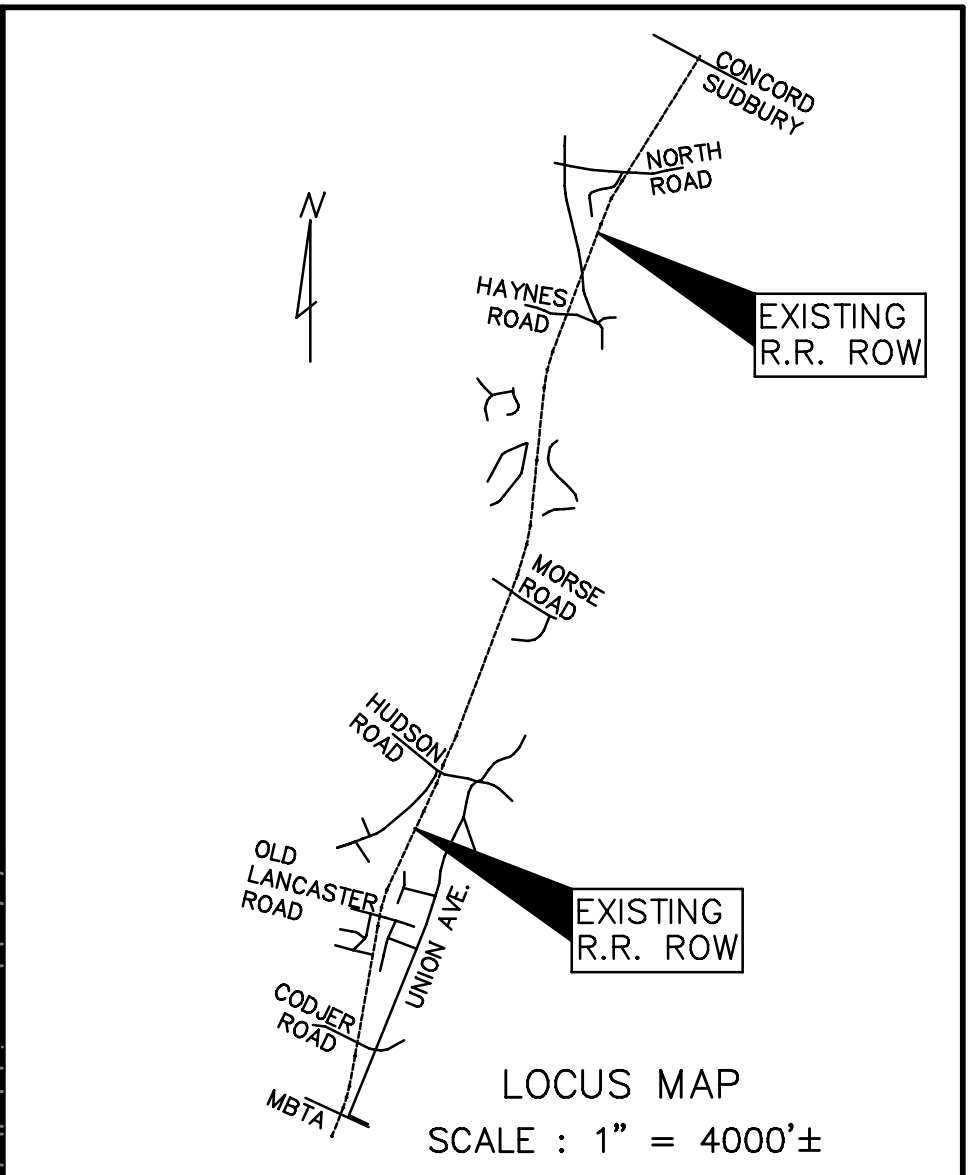
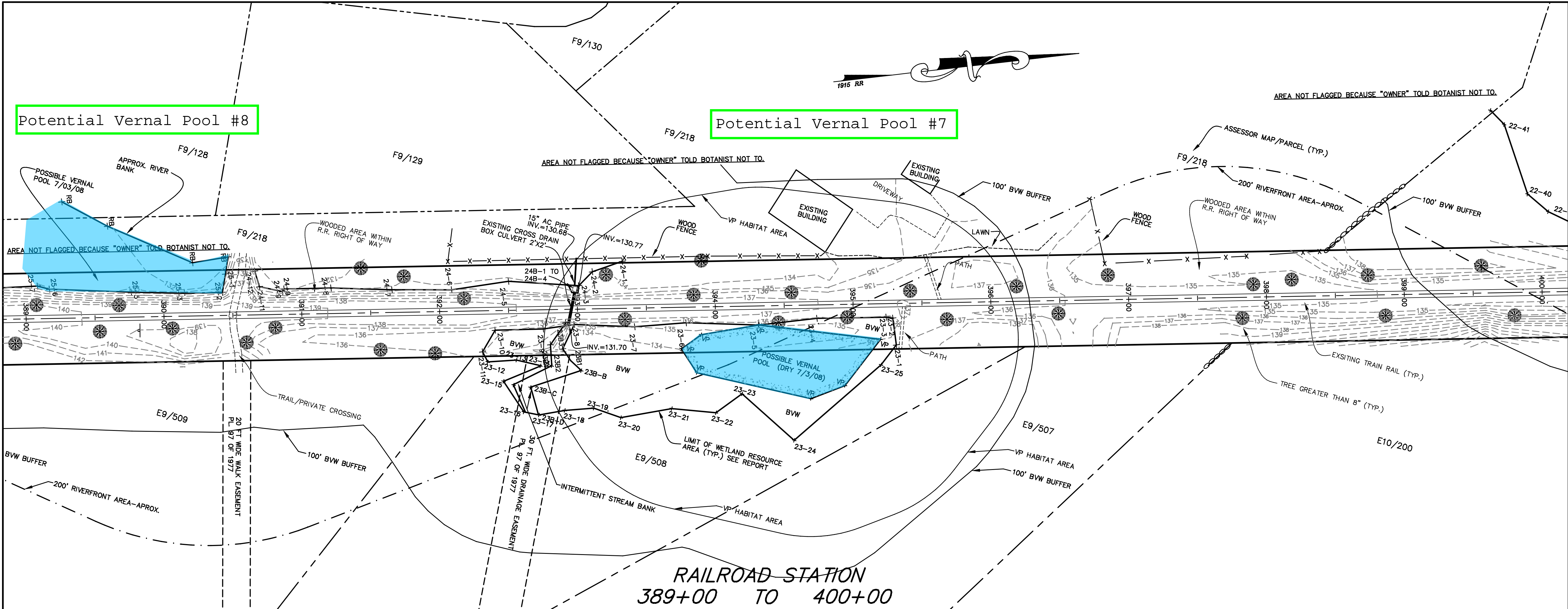
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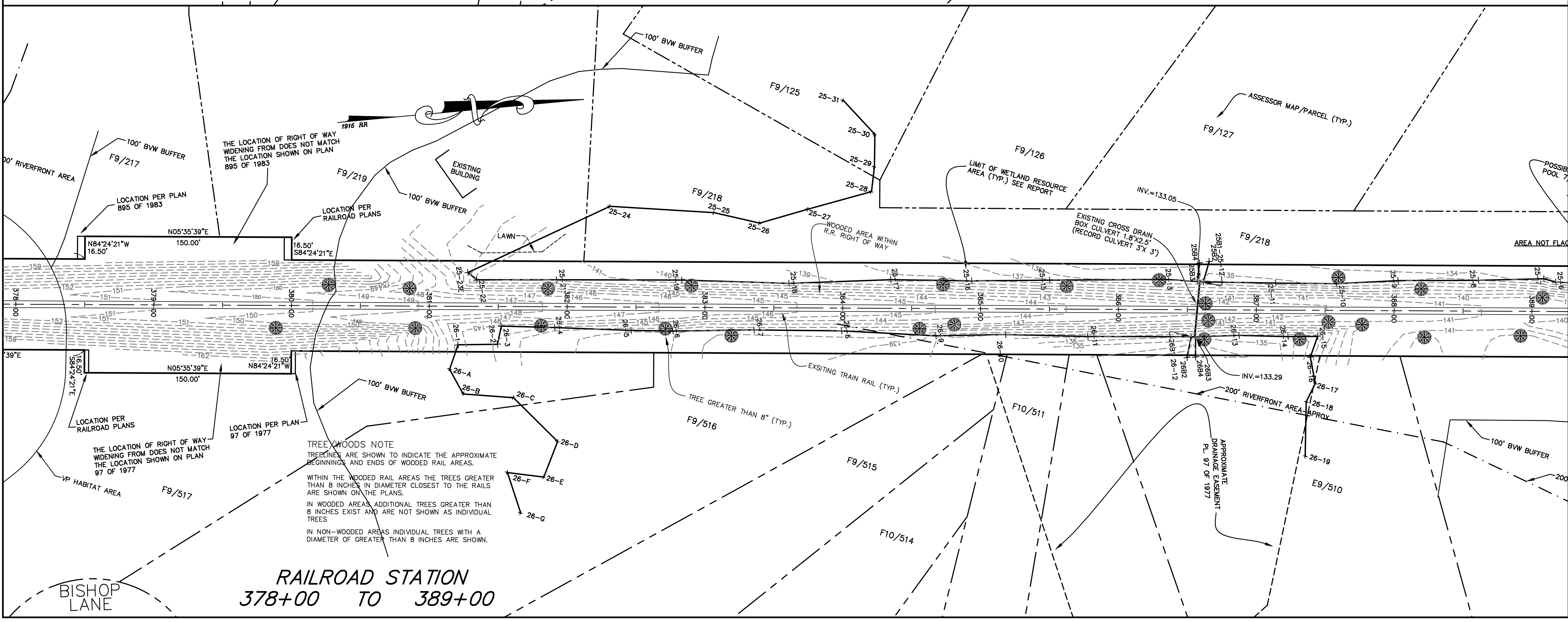
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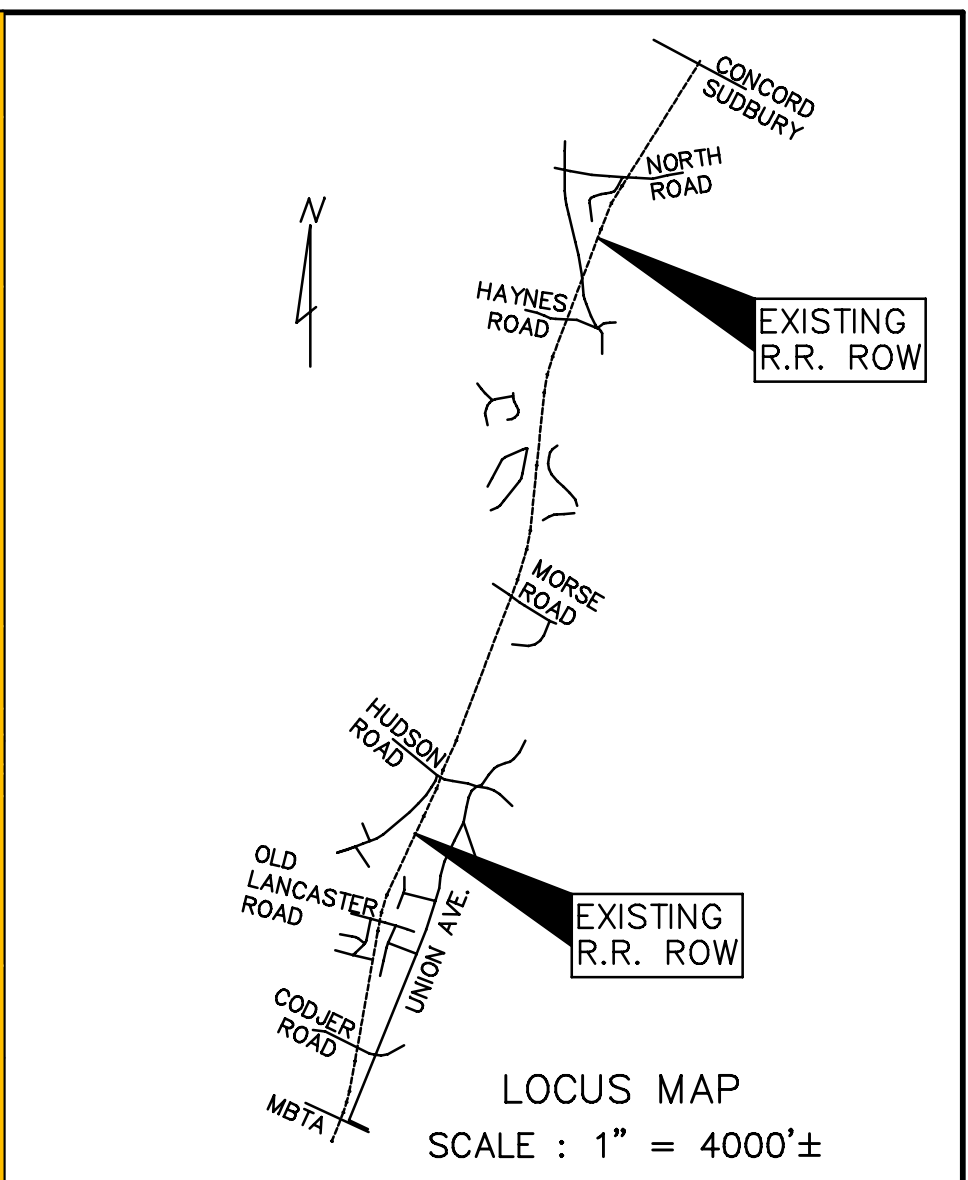
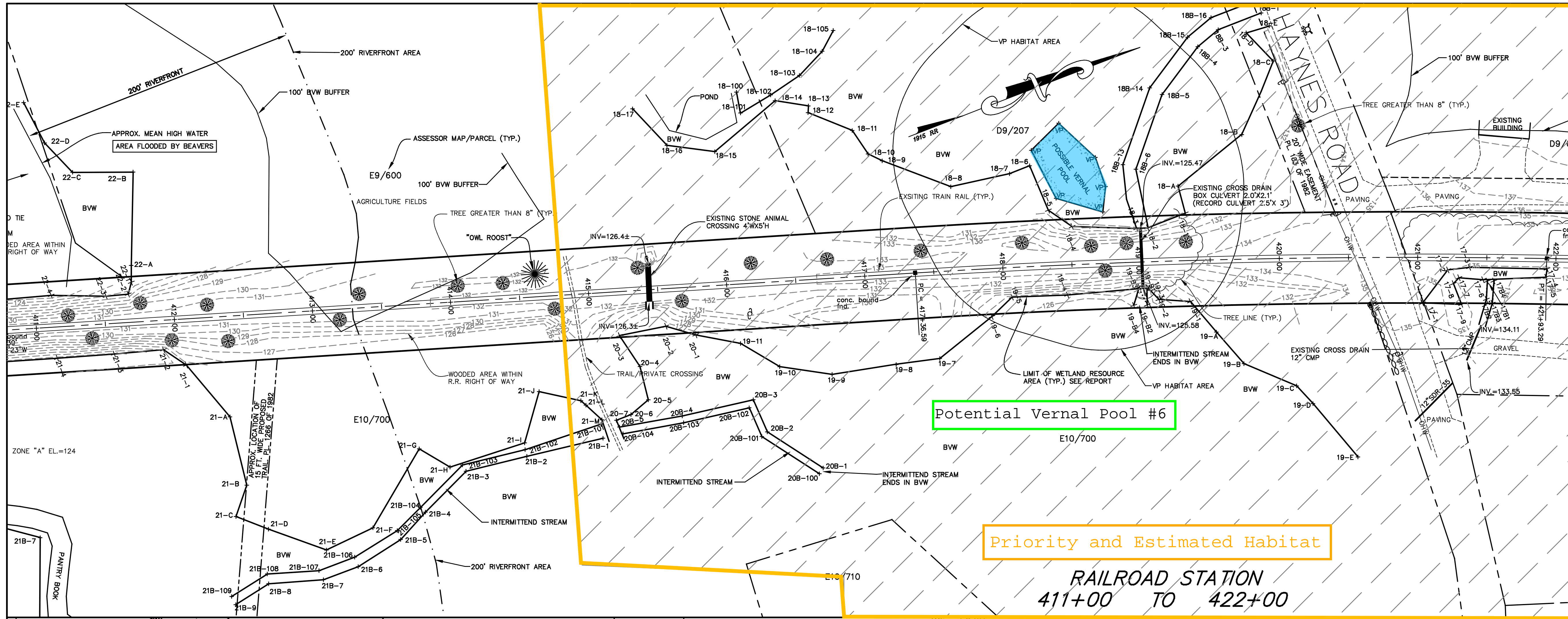
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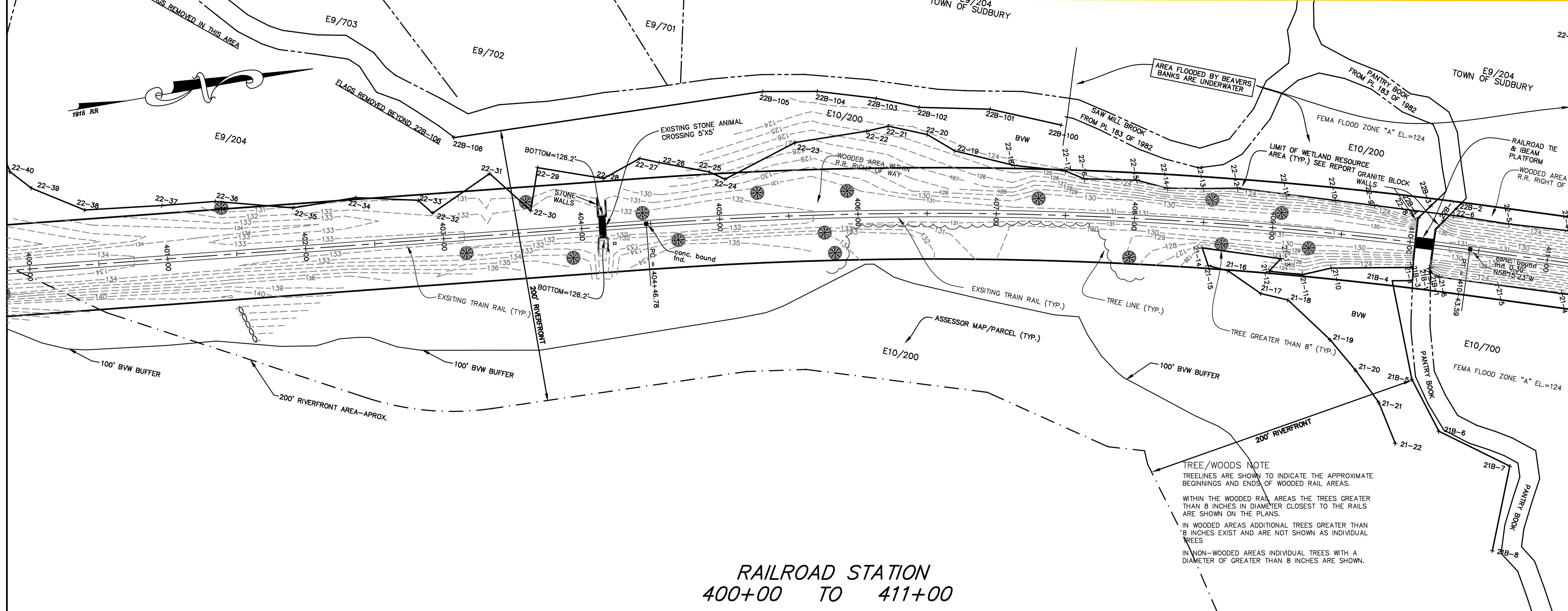
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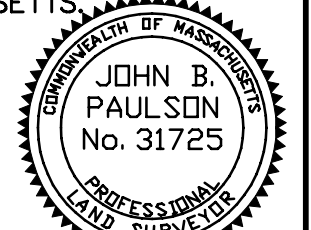
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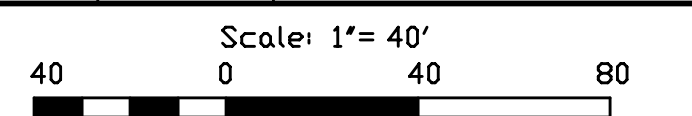
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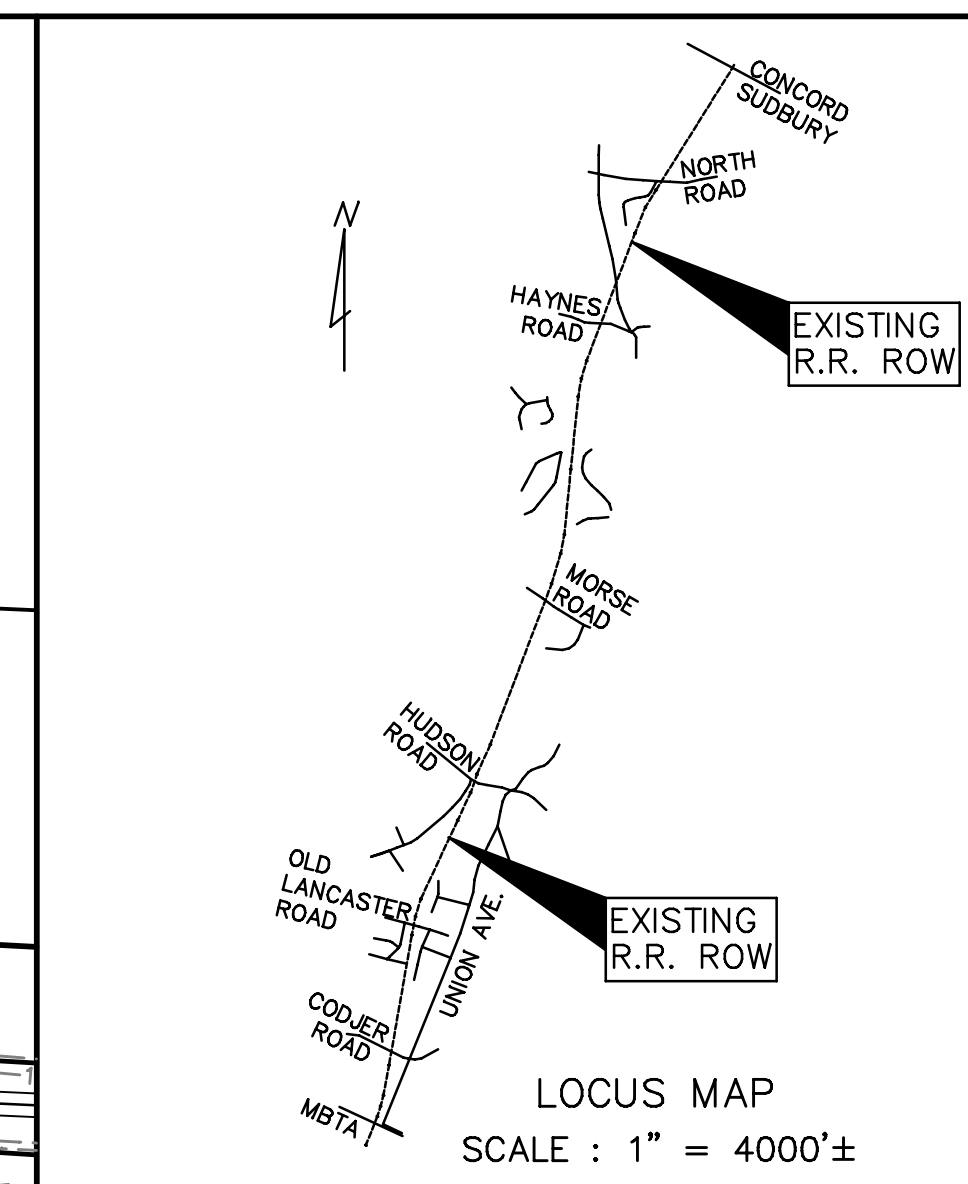
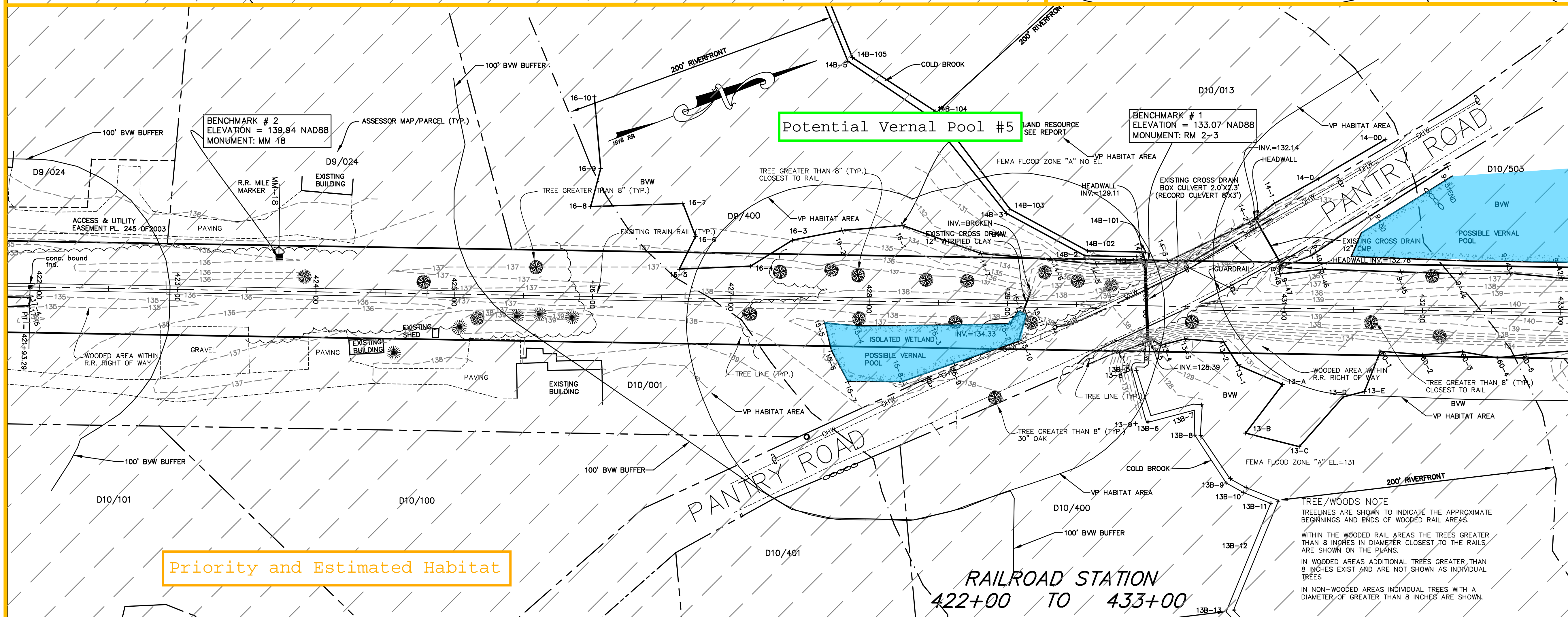
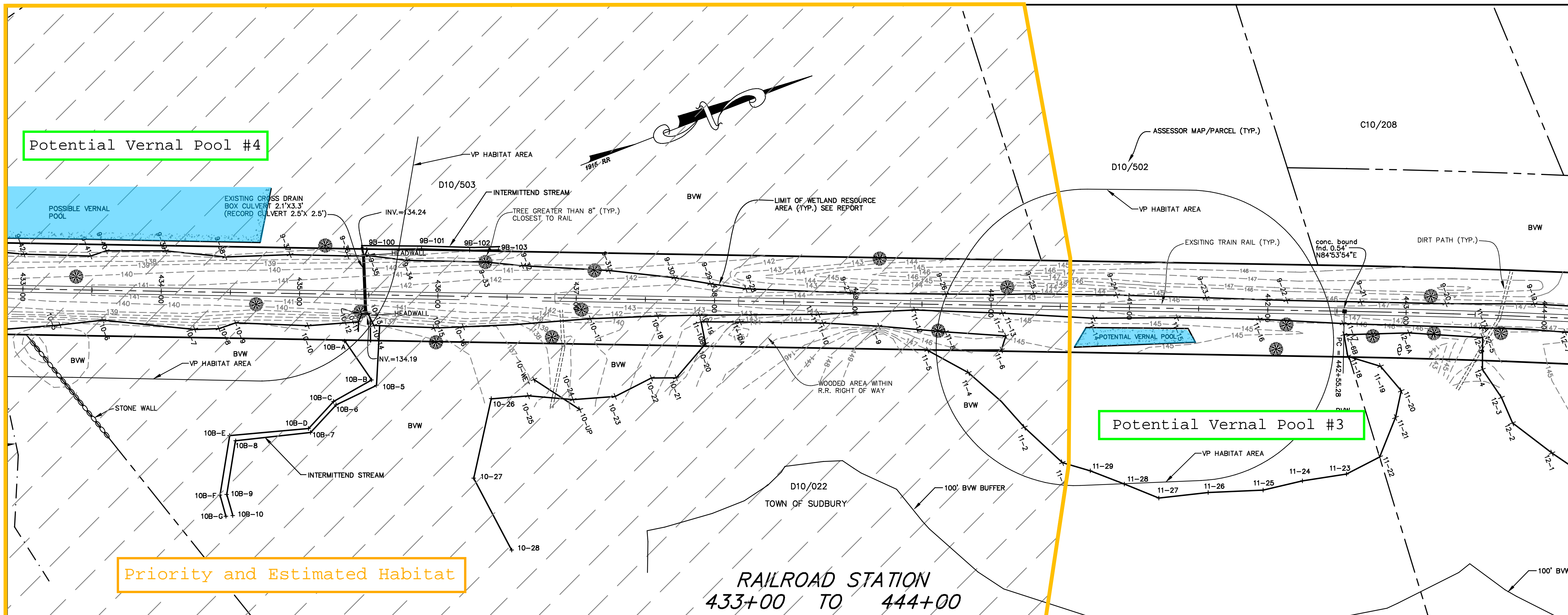
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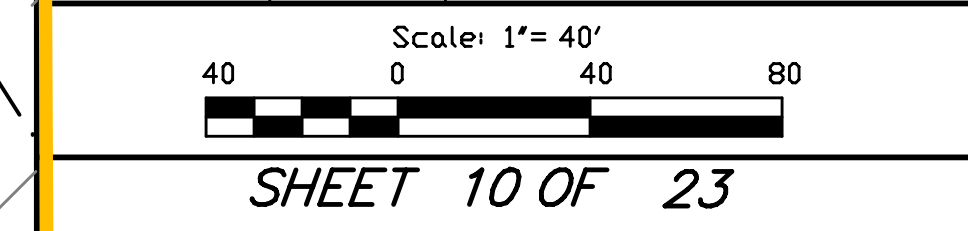
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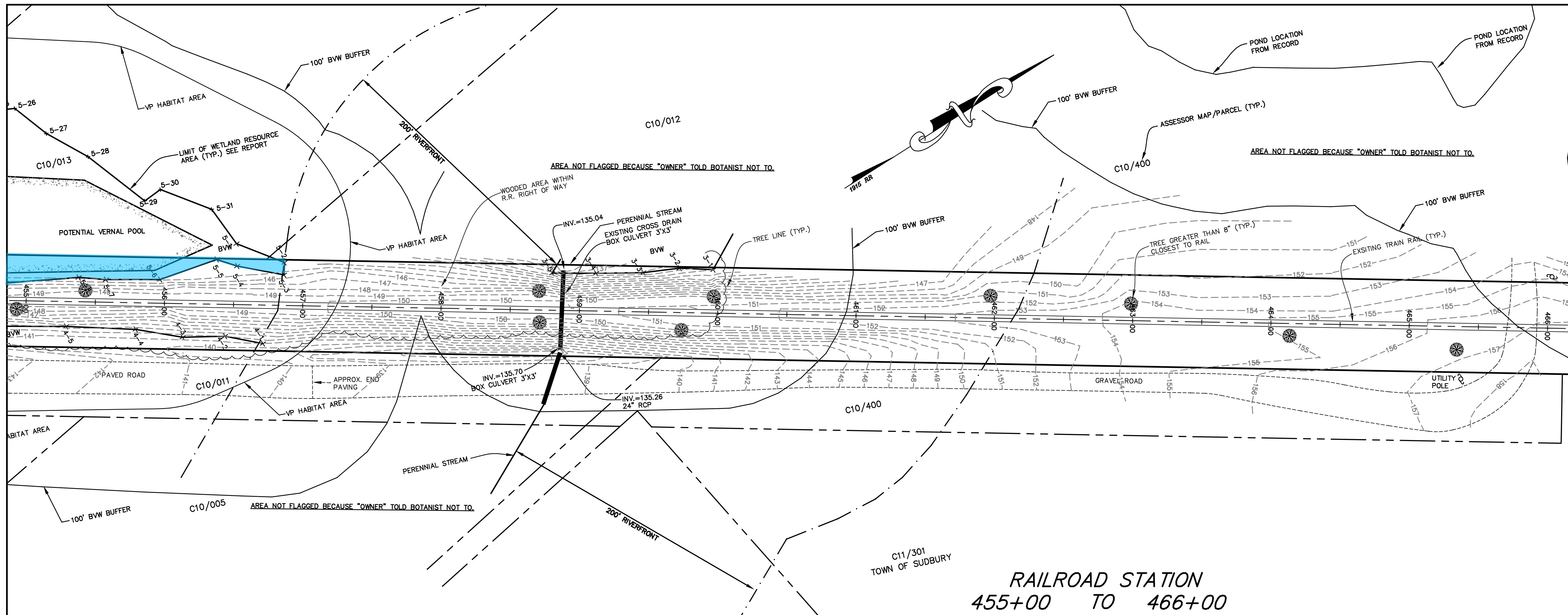
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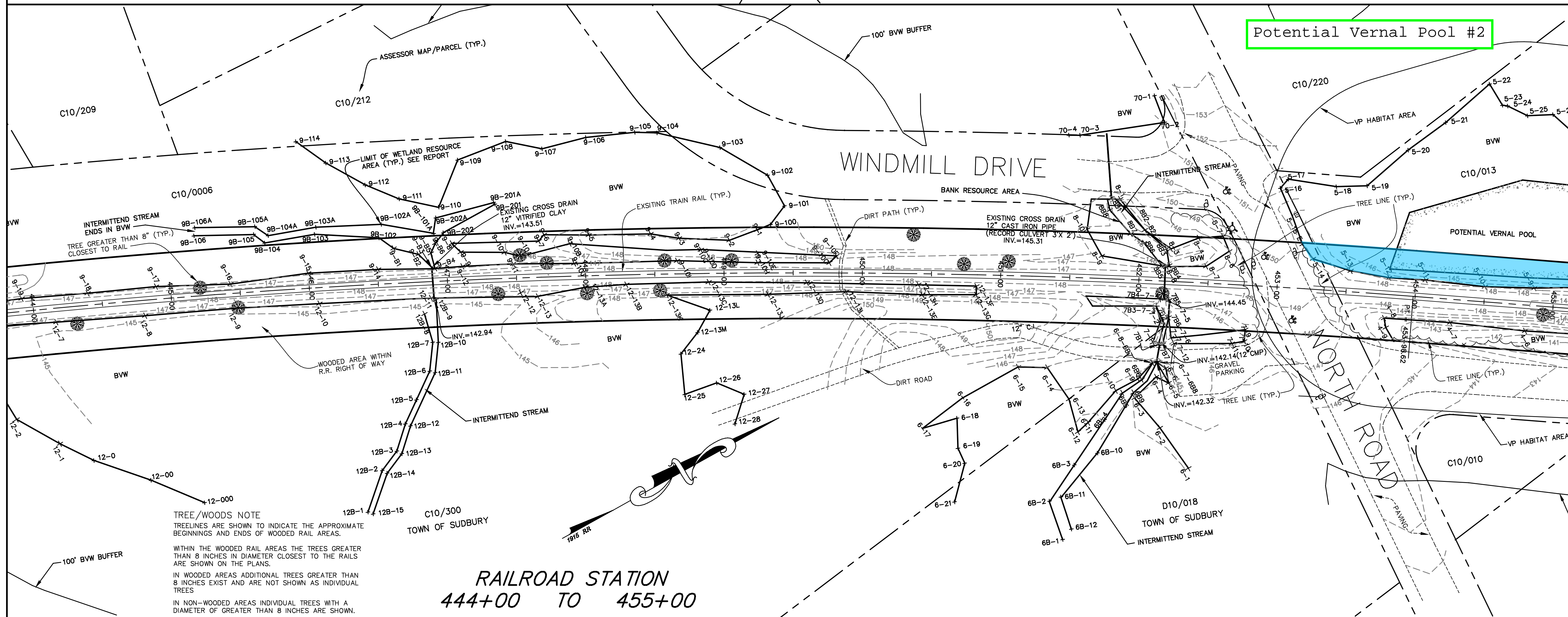
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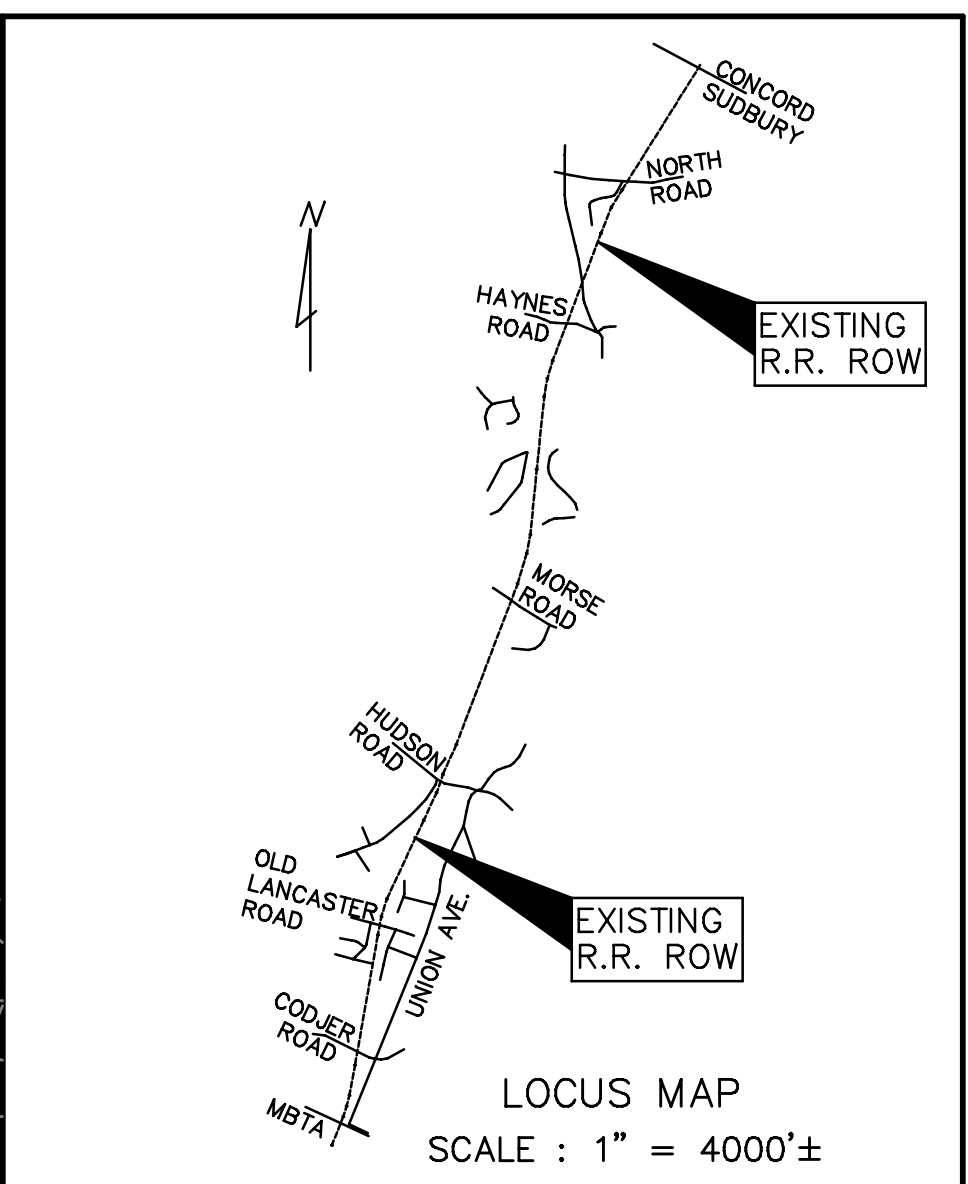




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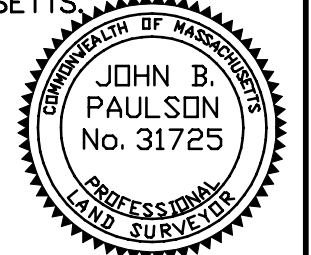
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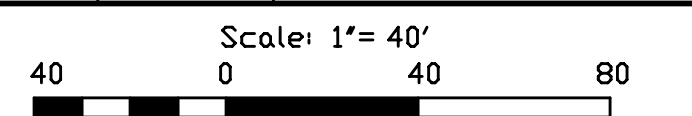
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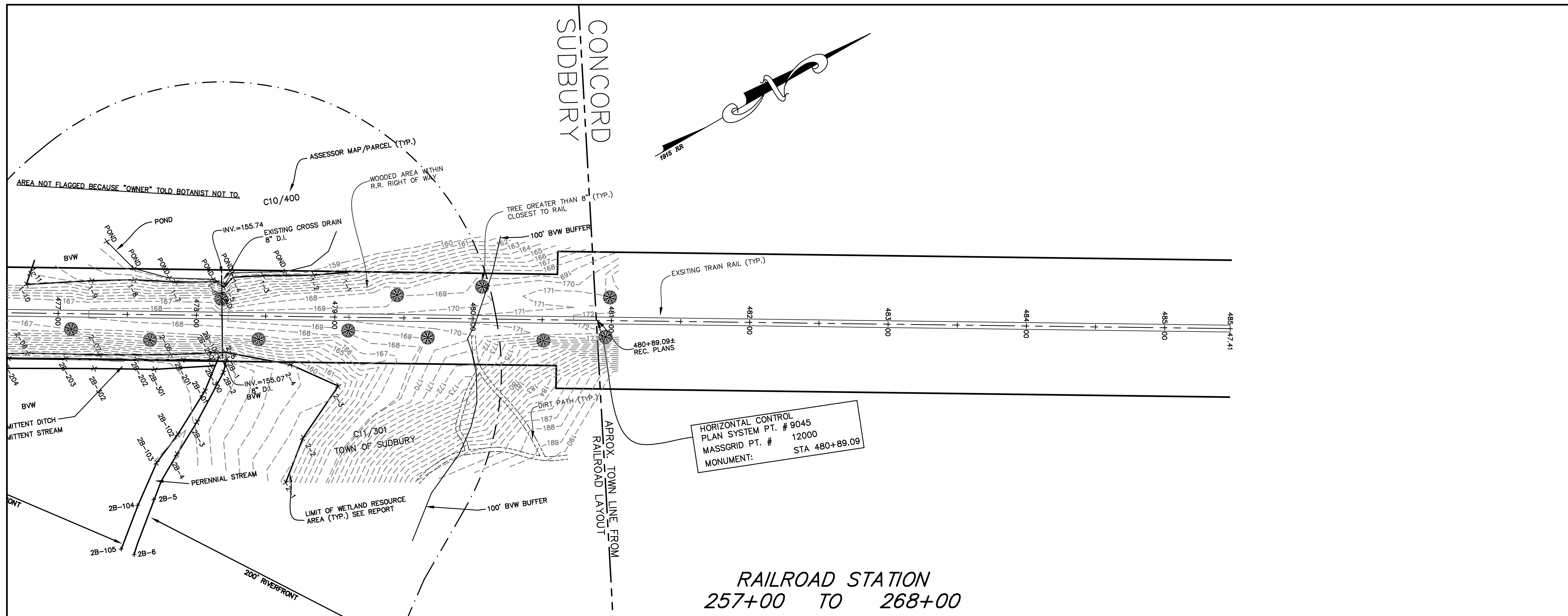
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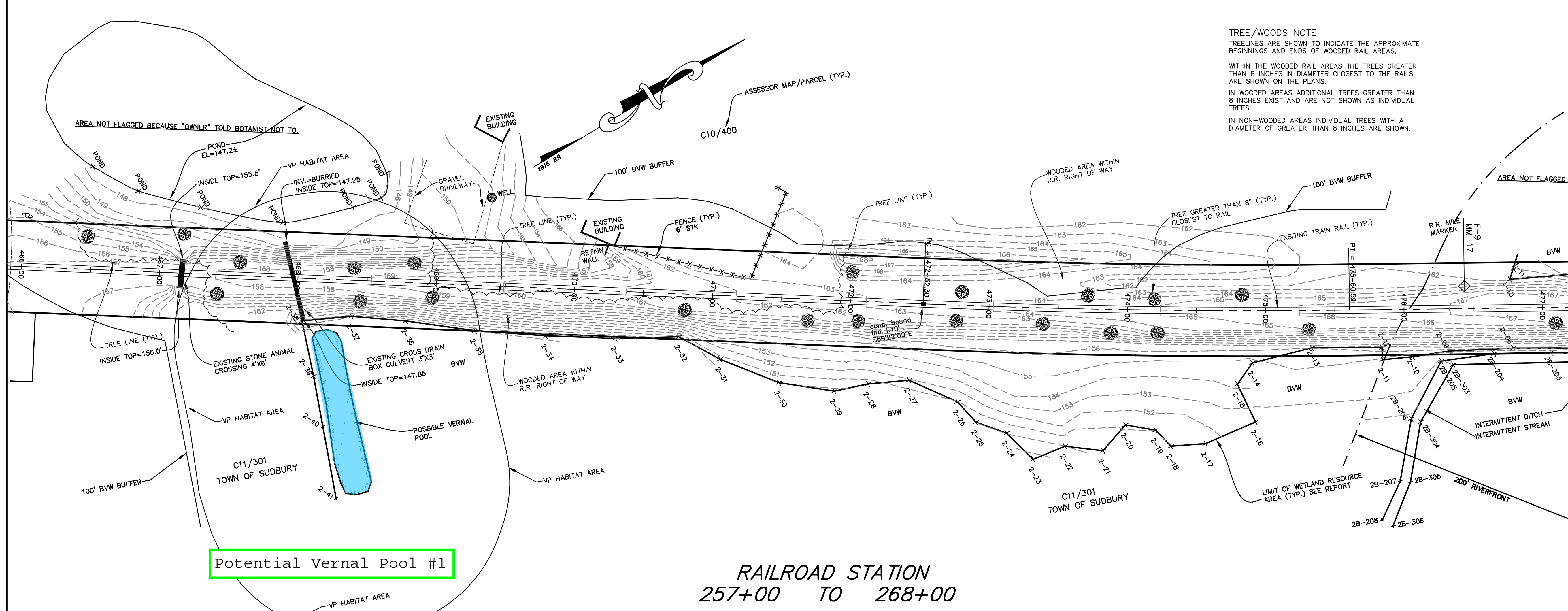
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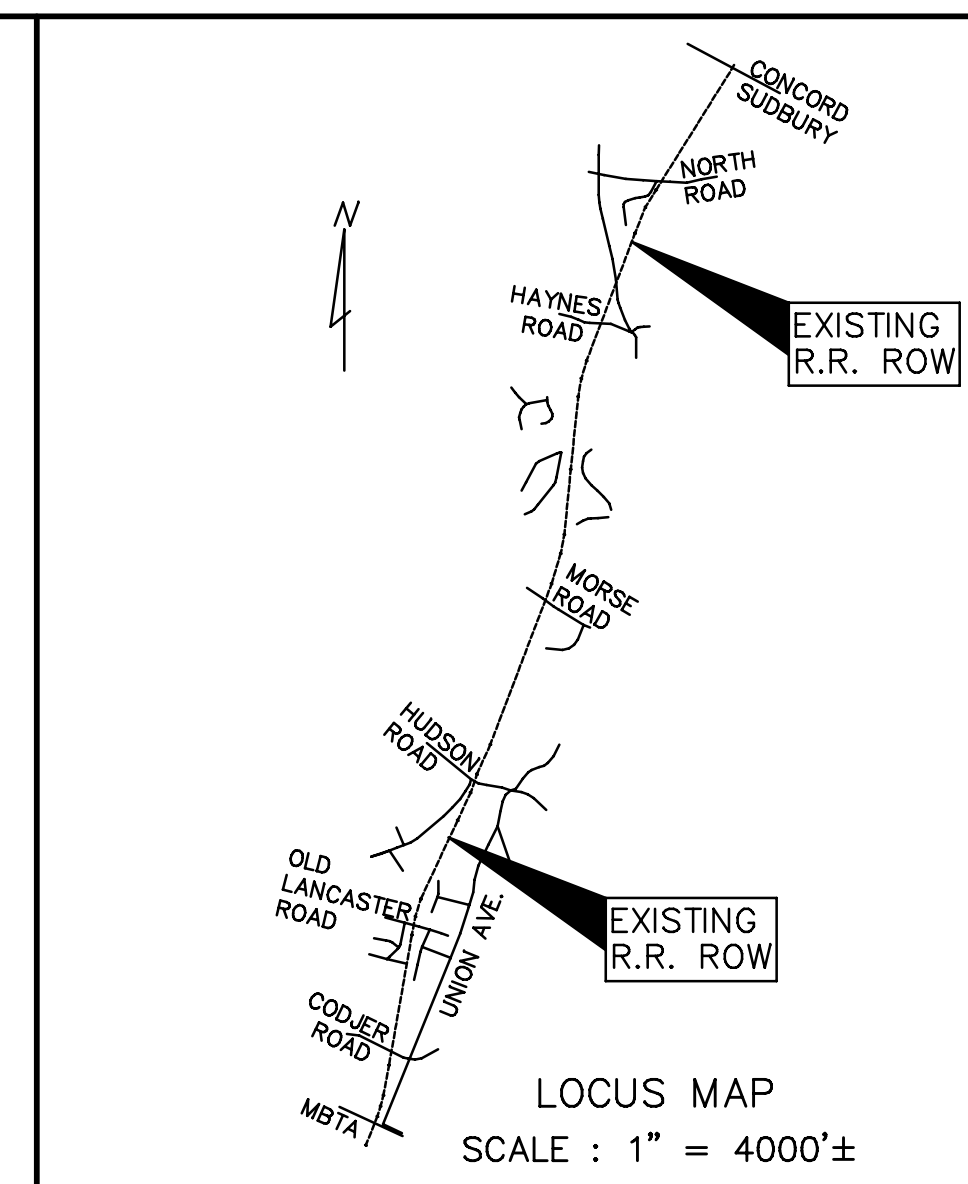
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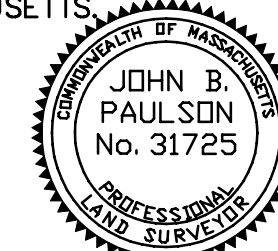
PORTIONS OF THE BANK OF HOP BROOK AND PANTRY BROOK COULD NOT BE ESTABLISHED ON TOWN LAND AS THE AREA WAS UNDER WATER AT THE TIME OF THE RESOURCE DELINEATION.

THE CONTOUR INTERVAL ON THE PLAN IS 1 FOOT. SOME CONTOURS ARE NOT LABELLED DUE TO THE SCALE OF THE PLAN AND THE STEEPNESS OF THE GROUND SLOPE.

TREES NOTATED AS "TREE GREATER THAN 8\"/>

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**EXISTING CONDITIONS
SURVEY PLAN
AT
PROPOSED RAIL TRAIL
IN
SUDBURY, MASS.**

PREPARED FOR: TOWN OF SUDBURY
275 OLD LANCASTER ROAD
SUDBURY, MA 01776

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2	7/23/2008	Site Plan with TDPD
3	3/18/2009	REVISIONS
4	7/28/2009	PROFILE

